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With this issue, the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers celebrates its 25th anniversary.

The company's modern era began Dec. 30, 1965 when Philip H. Power, a 27-year-old University of Michigan graduate, bought the Observer Newspapers, a six-paper chain primarily based in western Wayne County.

At the time, the chain included editions in Livonia, begun in 1940, Redford, added in 1955, Plymouth, begun in 1961 and Farmington, added one year later, as well as two new editions in Garden City and Westland.

The local Observer was launched the first week in April, 1965, when the community was still growing in population, student enrollments and business development.

Westland Center at Wayne and Warren Roads was nearing completion and opened that July. Across the street was the new Quo Vadis theater, which then had only two screens. Next door was the Algiers Drive-in, which was demolished in the mid-1980s to make way for the Westland Crossings strip mall.

The Wayne-Westland Community Schools didn't have "Westland" in its name yet because the community was still operating as Nankin Township.

When the Nankin Observer was first published, local officials and supporters were campaigning for voters' approval of city incorporation and a city charter, needed to create the proposed City of Westland. The charter was approved a year later, April 25, 1966, with the city government formally getting under way May 16.

Heading the township board at the time of the first Nankin Observer was Supervisor Thomas Brown, who was to be elected Westland's first mayor.

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Historical visit

Brooke Forquer, 7, gets close to Santa and Mrs. Claus Saturday afternoon during the annual Christmas open house at the Westland Helen C. Brown Historical Museum, 857 N. Wayne Road. Visitors were given a tour of the museum, decorated in the old-fashioned Christmas tradition of the late 19th century. Cider and cookies were served by Westland Historical Commission members. The Clauses greeted visitors for part of the afternoon from their old-fashioned sleigh in front of the museum.

'Most senseless tragedy' Drunk driving deaths shock families

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By Joe Bauman
staff writer

Maureen McDonald knows what it is like to lose a friend or loved one to a drunk driver.

As the grief counselor for MADD's Wayne County chapter, she has dealt with more than 60 families who have lost a person to what she calls "the most senseless tragedy."

"Losing someone to a drunk driver is especially difficult to accept because it didn't have to happen. Adding to the tragedy is that most people killed by drinking drivers are young, the loss is a complete shock and the court system often turns the families into victims."

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McDonald has spent more than a dozen years working as a paraprofessional counselor for a number of organizations, while making her living as an independent human resources consultant.

"I decided to volunteer at MADD three years ago after two of my friends lost children to drunk drivers," she said. "I saw the complete devastation the loss has on the survi-

vors, and felt the group could benefit from a trained grief counselor."

McDONALD CONDUCTS two regular meetings a month for Wayne County MADD members, and also is available for individual counseling whenever the need arises.

Her goal, she said, is to get the survivors of the victim to cope with

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Making their mark: Student teachers older

Student teachers in the Wayne-Westland district are older and more mature than their counterparts 20 years ago.

That is one of the major changes observed in the new crop, said James Edwards, the district's executive director of instruction and planning and supervisor of the student teacher program.

"There are many more student teachers in their 30s and 40s, as well as more men," Edwards said in an interview last week.

Years ago, most students were about 22, or the age of typical college seniors. Now about 20 to 25 percent are in their 30s or 40s, he said.

Another change observed in recent years is proportionately more male student teachers than in the past two decades, Edwards said.

One example of the new breed of student teachers is Elizabeth Williams, 35, of Canton Township, a senior at the University of Michigan.

Williams lived in upstate New York and Texas, working as a credit/collections clerk for silicone companies.

While in Texas, she married and raised five children.

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— James Edwards

She moved to Michigan, where her parents live, in 1987 and renewed her college studies, started eight years earlier when she took night classes.

"I LOVE teaching and literature — and I love teaching it," she said about her new career.

"I also love children and teenagers," said Williams, whose own children range in age from 6 to 11. "Teenagers are very refreshing and full of ideas and, for the most part, all have been cooperative."

During the past semester at John Glenn High School, Williams worked under journalism and English teacher Louise Karmann, in the district for 20 years.

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Card collecting profitable sport

By Linda Lee Sparkman
special writer

Local sport-card and comic book collectors are enjoying a number of area shops specializing in their hobby.

Sam Pashigian, owner of Worldwide Exchange and Collectibles, in Wayne, feels they are making wise investments.

The Wall Street Journal rated sports card collecting as one of the top five investments you can make today, Pashigian said.

In addition to possibly making a

profit, collectors enjoy a great way to hone organizational skills and exercise memory techniques that can help in many areas of life.

"Kids who collect cards and comics are set apart from the other kids," says Mike Odetalla, co-owner of Play Ball, on Warren Road west of Wayne Road.

"These kids are well behaved," he said. "You rarely see them steal, or get into trouble."

Stores provide collectors with a wide selection of sport cards includ-

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Marching Spartan

Angela Mahar (center) of Westland, a new Michigan State University marching band member, will travel to El Paso, Texas, this week for the Spartans' performance in the Dec. 31 John Hancock Bowl. A member of the band's color guard, Mahar is the daughter of Bonnie Samplo and a 1989 graduate of John Glenn High. A sophomore majoring in elementary education, she is joined by Kevin Stopp, who graduated John Glenn High last June, and band director John Madden in preparing for the Monday football game.

O&E begins 25th year

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The Livonia school district was still growing in 1965 and was about six or seven years away from the start of the enrollment decline.

Nankin Township residents in the Merriman-Ann Arbor Trail area were in the Nankin Mills school district, which was dissolved in mid-1969 and divided between the adjoining Wayne and Livonia districts.

From the start, the newspapers dedicated themselves to community journalism, as defined by Power in an early editorial.

"We will try to bring to these newspapers an informed and probing curiosity about everything of local interest, from sewage to high school football, from racial discrimination to good recipes, from local politics to neighborhood golfs on," he wrote.

The chain also became dedicated to expansion. The Farmington Enterprise and Plymouth Mall were bought in 1986 and merged with Observer papers in those communities. A Southfield paper was begun in 1970. A Livonia headquarters building, including a new offset press, was completed in 1971.

The company merged with the Birmingham-based Eccentric Newspapers chain in 1973. The new, 11-paper Observer & Eccentric chain included the Birmingham Eccentric, begun in 1878, as well as companion editions begun in Troy, 1968, Southfield and West Bloomfield, both 1970, and Rochester, 1972. The two Southfield papers joined forces with the merger.

By 1979, the chain had expanded again with addition of a Canton Township edition. A West Bloomfield Lakes edition was added in 1989.

By the 1990s both the company and the communities it serves had

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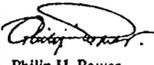
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All of us look forward to many more years of continued service to you.

Sincerely,

Philip H. Power
Chairman,
Suburban Communications Corporation

undergone dramatic change. The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers had become part of Suburban Communications Corp., a parent company headed by Power. At the same time, many western Wayne and Oakland county communities experienced a new burst of residential and commercial development.

In a new statement of purpose drafted last year, however, Power re-touched upon the newspapers'

original commitment to the communities.

"We regard ourselves both as accurate journalists and as caring citizens of the communities where we work. It's often hard to have both feelings at once, but in the end it makes for fairer and more accurate journalism because it considers the consequences of a news story to the community and to the people involved."

Student teachers are older

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"I did lesson plans, grading, correcting of papers, etc.," said the student teacher.

Like Edwards, Karmann commented that she has observed older student teachers, which she described as being more mature and having "more seasoning."

Edwards pointed out that the district enacted a moratorium on student teachers from 1974 through the 1985-86 school year at the request of the Wayne-Westland Education Association, which represents local teachers in collective bargaining.

Job security for WWEA members wasn't an issue, Edwards said.

The WWEA asked for the moratorium because it thought there was no purpose of using student teachers if there were no staff openings.

For many years, school districts hired many of their student teachers for full-time permanent positions after they graduated college.

But in the mid-1970s, Wayne-Westland and other suburban districts were experiencing a severe drop in student enrollments which resulted

not only no new openings but in large numbers of experienced teachers being laid off and put on a recall list for future openings.

MANY OF the college of education seniors then didn't have any job opportunities in their chosen field, Edwards said, and moved on to other careers.

"Many of those were successful in other fields and it wasn't a loss for them to go through the college's curriculum for new teachers."

They gained valuable skills which were used by other employers.

"Those persons could write well, were articulate, had good study skills, had organizational and time study skills, were compassionate and were self-motivated — all skills employers look for," Edwards said.

In 1986, the district discussed the lifting of the moratorium on student teachers with the WWEA, he said.

While the union still had some laid-off members, the district said it could use student teachers in areas where there was a need, such as math, science, and industrial arts.

So that fall, 22 student teachers were used for the fall term and 18 for the spring term.

In subsequent years, the number of student teachers were 46 in 1987-88; 45 in 1988-89; 40 last school year and 22 this school year.

The student teachers come from nearby universities such as Wayne State, Eastern Michigan, University of Michigan, U-M Dearborn and Madonna as well as Ferris State, Central Michigan and Western Michigan.

EDWARDS NOTED that student teachers aren't to be considered merely as unpaid help for the district.

"They are truly a lot of time and work for the supervising teacher," he said.

"But later in the term, the student teacher is a benefit in that the person becomes a second pair of hands for the supervising teacher, enabling the staff member to spend more time with students who need help and planning more special projects in the classroom."

'Senseless tragedy' shocks families

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the loss so they will be able to continue with their own lives.

"Generally, the first emotion that family and friends feel is complete and utter shock. The loss is so sudden and almost always the person is completely healthy and young that his or her death is incomprehensible."

"After the shock there generally is a period of great anger and frustration, frustration with the court system in dealing with the drunk driver, and frustration trying to find a reason for the senseless loss."

"Finally, oftentimes parents experience a feeling of guilt. They ask themselves why they let the child take the car that night, or why they let the person go to that party."

MCDONALD SAID the grief experienced from the loss of a child, especially when it is sudden and unexpected, can be totally devastating to those left behind.

"I know this sounds harsh, but in a way the person who is killed has it much easier than the people left behind," she said. "The families and friends have to deal with the loss, which can take five, 10 or more years in some cases."

"There is a triple loss when a young person dies. There is the loss of the person itself, the parents' lost

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— Maureen McDonald

hopes and dreams for that person, and the loss of part of yourself that made the child what he or she was.

"A parent never gets over the loss of a child because children are not supposed to die before their parents. The parent eventually may make some sense out of the loss, but acceptance of the fact is never there."

McDonald said the most difficult aspect of her job is learning what type of relationship existed between the victim and his or her family.

"NOT EVERY family has perfect relationships, and the type of relationship often reflects on the kind of grief a person is going through," said the Livonia woman. "If there was not a close relationship between parent and child, for instance, the loss may be complicated by a profound sense of guilt on the part of the parent."

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Drunk driver shatters family's dreams, life

By Marie Chostnoy
staff writer

For one Westland family, a lifetime of pain, anger and sorrow began with a phone call in the middle of the night.

Before the phone call, the family of Darlene and Robert Hodges was like the "Brady Bunch" — two children from one family living with two children from another family, all under the same roof.

It was a good, solid second marriage for both.

The heart of the family was Craig Allard, Darlene's 18-year-old son by a former marriage, a young man who possessed a joie de vivre for everyone and everything.

CRAIG WAS the type of guy who was sensitive enough to kiss his stepdad goodby when he left the house and tough enough to co-captain Livonia Franklin High's football team and be its star quarterback.

All looked rosy for the Franklin senior that March day in 1989 when he left with three Franklin friends on a spring-break vacation in the Florida sun.

Graduation was three months away and he had just been offered a four-year football scholarship to Hillsdale College.

Then, from Florida, came the phone call at 3 a.m. on the Friday before Easter.

Craig and his friend, Franklin senior John Shea, 17, had just been struck by a car and killed while crossing a street in Orlando.

Like a never-ending nightmare, the facts of the two deaths emerged slowly throughout the Easter weekend.

The car was traveling nearly 70 mph when it struck both teens, tossing them in the air.

The driver did not stop. He was arrested several hours later at a nearby hotel. Police found blood and human tissue on his car, as well as on his shirt.

Tests showed the driver's blood alcohol level to be 0.21 percent, more than twice Michigan's legal limit.

A police check of the driver showed that, five years before, he had ran a stop sign in New York City, crashed into a car and killed two men.

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—Darlene Hodges

For those two deaths in New York, he had been sentenced, to 3-to-9 years in prison. In 1987, he had been paroled after serving 2½ years.

ON THAT March day in 1989, the two teens became two more victims of a drunken driver. And so did their families.

"Our lives will never be the same again," said Dawn Hodges, Craig's sister. "There's a cloud over everything. You might see us laughing but our heart has been ripped out. Craig was the center of all of us, and we can't get away from what happened."

"If someone gets involved with this family, they see the cloud over it. The four people you see here today are not the same people who were here two years ago. Part of our family is destroyed but we have to go on."

There are numerous ironies to the two teens' death. While at Franklin, both had been members of Students Against Driving Drunk. Darlene Hodges was a longtime member of Mothers' Against Drunk Driving (MADD). Three months before Craig's death, his cousin had also been killed by a drunk driver. The family had attended the funeral.

And shortly before his death, Craig had read a news story about someone killed by a drunk driver. He had commented to his parents about the "injustice of it all."

While not drinkers themselves, the Hodges' family was not anti-drinking. But they were against drinking and driving, even before their son's death.

"Drinking and driving brings death — the three D's," said Robert Hodges. "They all go together, hand in hand. It's not just a night in jail. It brings death."

TWENTY-ONE MONTHS have passed since Craig was killed. Yet the shock of his sudden, unexpected, violent death still is so fresh in their minds that each day, when they get up, they remember Craig and bury him.

"Every morning we get up to start a new day, all ready to take on that day, and then we remember Craig," Robert Hodges said. "Each day we start out by reburying him, and then go about our business."

For a multitude of reasons, the family slimmers with anger.

Perhaps they're most angry that a human being could drunkenly kill two people in New York and then turn around two years later and drunkenly kill two more people in another state. They might have been less angry if it hadn't happened twice to the same driver.

"We got angrier as time went on and we found out he had done this before, that he had no license and no insurance, that he violated his parole, and that he had been found sleeping in bed with my son's flesh and blood on him," said Robert Hodges.

For the two teens' deaths, the Florida driver was convicted of two counts of manslaughter and, as a habitual offender, was sentenced to 70 years in prison. The Florida Supreme Court recently turned down his appeal of the sentence.

The family is angry they were cheated of spending the final, "most important" moments of their son's life with him.

"All my life I had taken care of him, yet for the most important moment of his life I wasn't there to help him," said Darlene Hodges. "I visualize what it was like for him, lying there alone on the street. To this day, I still don't know if he said anything before he died."

THE FAMILY is angry at the "businesslike" legal system which told them not to talk to witnesses before the trial. That meant not even being able to talk about the deaths to the two Franklin youth who were crossing the road with Craig and John and saw them die.

"We're angry at the legal system that sets up legal roadblocks to families trying to get details of the

deaths," said Dawn Hodges. "We couldn't even say 'thank-you' to those people who helped him that night. And we're angry at a system which allows this type of person to drive."

The family is angry that their son's death was so violent, their bodies so mutilated from the car's impact that it was impossible at first to tell who was whom.

"A death by a drunken driver is a violent, senseless death," said Darlene Hodges.

The family is angry because their

son was robbed of his future.

"The only presents we can bring him now are grave blankets," Darlene Hodges said. "The only thing we can do for him now is tie red ribbons on cars."

FOR THE HODGES, fighting drunken driving has become a family affair. Darlene, Dawn and Craig's younger brother, Ryan, all belong to MADD.

Often, they encounter people who don't believe in the organization's mission.

"That's because they haven't gotten the telephone call, or they haven't looked at pictures of a family member who's been killed by a drunk driver," Dawn said.

Darlene Hodges' biggest hope is that some day there won't be the need for an organization such as MADD.

"I don't want to have to belong to this organization all my life and I don't want this tragedy to happen to any other family."

"One night of partying is not worth a life."



ART EMANUELE/staff photographer

Not a day goes by that Darlene and Robert Hodges and their children, Dawn and Ryan, don't remember Craig Allard, the son and brother they lost to a drunken driver in 1989. The family has one overriding message for this holiday season: Don't drink and drive.

Awareness, understanding follow anguish over death

By Janice Brunson
staff writer

In October 1984, a mere two months after a drunk driver killed her husband, Michele Kubicz of Redford Township reached a turning point in the numbing grief caused by his sudden and premature death at age 29.

"I was interviewed by The Observer. I hardly remember it. But reading the story afterwards opened up a door of emotions. It was like there was a little light in the window," said Kubicz, now 35 and a single parent the past six years to Nick and Jennifer, both pre-schoolers when their father died.

"I decided this is not going to have me. I'm not going to sit in a corner with a blanket over my head."

SINCE THAT fateful August day when Steven Kubicz was hit head-on by a drunk 19-year-old woman on his way home from work on a motorcycle, Michele Kubicz has traveled a personal path of deepening awareness and expanded understanding.

"How could someone kill someone else and not show remorse? I decided, I've got to learn about this."

In anguish over the loss of a husband who had been her high school sweetheart, at Bishop Borgess High in Redford, Kubicz turned to the Wayne County Chapter of Mothers Against Drunk Drivers.

"MADD is a safe place to vent grief and get information. They put their arms around me mentally and physically."

Kubicz, a teacher at St. Agatha Child Development Center in Redford, served as president of the Wayne County group in 1985-86.

She also attended meetings for relatives sponsored by Alcoholics Anonymous, not because "I have a drinking problem in my home but to learn about alcoholism. I've learned a lot about dysfunctional families. I'm still learning."

IN TIME, she came to understand the lack of remorse by the young woman who drove a car across the center line of a two-lane road and smashed into Steven Kubicz.

"There is no remorse because she does not remember the accident," she said. "She did not forget the incident. She simply has no recall. An alcoholic, she was driving while mentally blacked out, according to Kubicz."

Sentenced to six months probation for drunk driving, the 19-year-old was convicted of the same charge in a second incident one year later. (Today, drunk driving involving a death carries a mandatory sentence of 5-15 years in Michigan.)

"I don't know where she is or what she's doing today. I tend to think she's still drinking and driving. She was pretty self-destructive."

In recent years, Kubicz has addressed many substance abuse groups sponsored by such facilities as West Bloomfield's Maple Grove.

"I used my heartache to help others. One thing that happens is it goes away. So many victims get caught in anger. You can get stuck there."

KUBICZ'S EFFORTS, and those of others involved in the ongoing campaign against drinking and driving are realizing success, based on figures maintained by Michigan State Police.

Sentencing, the fines, restricted licenses and jail time for impaired and drunk driving, is steadily increasing statewide. In addition, the incidence of drunk driving is down. Legislation pending before the state Senate would eliminate plea bargaining.

"Last year, we saved 50 to 75 people (based on numbers who died in previous years). That's wonderful. Personal awareness is up. Drunk driving is less socially accepted. People are being more careful. There are designated drivers."

"Public awareness is also growing. That's good because drunk driving is a crime that doesn't need to be."

"Maybe if someone had been able to extend a more loving hand to my defendant," the woman who killed Kubicz's husband, he might be alive today.

And what of repeat offenders, like the young woman who killed Steven Kubicz, who repeatedly drinks and drives?

"I don't know the total answer. But to turn things around, we have to keep plugging away at the problem. It takes a conscious personal responsibility."

Michele Kubicz's final thought this holiday season: Be responsible and don't drink and drive!



Michele Kubicz of Redford, shown here with daughter Jennifer, 10, and son Nick, 8, has turned her life around since crisis hit in October 1984 with the death of her husband.

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Community Corner

This week's question:

What do you think of the Detroit Tigers' firing of radio broadcaster Ernie Harwell?

We asked this question at Westland Center.



'(Bo) Schembechler (Tigers president) is doing it for all the wrong reasons and bypassing traditions. He may be thinking of a new stadium.'

— Stan Kosinski



'I don't like it at all. It is a big mistake. I like Bo (Schembechler) a lot, not as much now.'

— Harold Rankey



'I don't think they should have done it. I may boycott Tiger games, although I don't go to that many anyway.'

— Judy Rankey



'It's a disgrace. Harwell's been so loyal to the Tigers and the radio station (WJR). I won't go to any more Tiger games (he usually attends 10 to 12 a year) or buy Domino's Pizza.'

— Harold Sullivan



'I don't know anything about it.'

— Kristen Miller



'I have no feelings (about the firing). I don't listen to the Tigers on the radio.'

— Chad Reeves

Mini-ACT workshop offers help with spring tests

ACT TEST

Registration is open for a mini-ACT workshop aimed to help prepare Garden City High School students for the ACT tests of spring 1991. Workshop dates are March 20 and March 27. For information, contact high school counselor Peg Pheny at 421-8220.

HOCKEY TRYOUTS

Saturday, Dec. 29 — The Westland Hockey Association registration for the beginners' Atom program, open to youngsters 5 and older, will be 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Westland Sports Arena. Registration fee is \$70 for the 12-week program. For information, call Laura at 421-0748 or Gerry at 522-4166.

PARTY SUBS

The Garden City High School Band is selling Super Bowl Party Subs. The band will be taking orders Jan. 7-14. Delivery date is Saturday, Jan. 26. Price is \$2 for a 10-ounce sub. For information, call 422-1352 or 525-5066.

CIGARETTE SEND-OFF

Sunday, Jan. 6 — The American Lung Association of Southeast Michigan's New Year's Cigarette Send-Off will be 1-4 p.m. in Roma's of Garden City, 32550 Cherry Hill, east of

Venoy. Admission is a \$40 donation to the ALA. Tickets are available at the door for the three-hour session. For information, call the American Lung Association of Southeast Michigan 559-5100.

BASEBALL CLINIC

Dec. 29-30 and Jan. 11-12 — Westland Federation Baseball Club is sponsoring baseball clinics for players age 10-14. The clinics are scheduled for 7-10 p.m., Saturday-Sunday, Dec. 29-30, at Bailey Recreation Center, 36651 Ford; Friday, 6-9 p.m., Jan. 11, and 3-6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 12, at Marshall Junior High School, 31500 Bayview, south of Cherry Hill and east of Wayne Road. Players may attend any or all four days and should bring gloves and gym shoes. Registration is 15 minutes before each session. For more information, call Al at 287-4055 or Joe at 522-4962.

GED TESTS

Monday-Tuesday, Jan. 7-8 — Livonia Public Schools will offer GED tests 5-10 2 p.m. at Bentley Center, 15100 Hubbard, Livonia. For more information, call 523-9294.

TOPS

Thursdays — Take Off Pounds Sensibly meets at 10 a.m. Thursdays

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.

in the Log Cabin in Garden City Park, Cherry Hill and Merriman. For information, call 422-2297 or 561-9205.

WEIGHT CONTROL

Saturdays — A support group will meet at 11 a.m. in Garden City Hospital Room 3, 6345 Inkster Road at Maplewood. Focus is a holistic approach to weight control. For information, call 261-4048.

FITNESS GYM

Monday-Saturday — The Wayne-Westland Family Y will sponsor a fitness gym open 6 a.m. to 9:45 p.m. weekdays and 8 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. Saturday. Daily guest pass is \$5 per visit. For information, call 721-7044.

PLAY/LEARN

The Wayne-Westland YMCA is accepting registrations for children

ages 2½ through 6 years of age for its Play and Learn Program. For more information, call 721-7044.

DANCERS WANTED

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

CARDIAC GROUP

Mondays — A cardiac support group meets the second and fourth Monday of every month 7-8:30 p.m. in Garden City Osteopathic Hospital classroom No. 1, 6245 N. Inkster Road at Maplewood. The group will offer educational and emotional support of cardiac patients and their families.

TRAVEL GROUP

Fridays — The Travel Group meets every Friday at 12:45 p.m. in the Westland Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh, unless a trip or special program is planned. Program includes speakers, films, celebration of birthdays and weekly door prizes. There is a \$3 membership fee for residents; \$12.50 for non-residents. For more information, call 722-7632.

SCHOOL GROUP

Fridays — The Wayne-Westland Citizens for Education Committee meets at 7:30 p.m. the second Friday of each month in the Westland Historical, Cultural and Meeting House (formerly The Rowe House), 37025 Marquette. The group informs citizens of important issues regarding the community schools. For information, call Dave Moranty at 729-1748.

CLASSES OPEN

St. David's Nursery School, 27500 Marquette, Garden City is accepting applications for the 1990-91 school year. Classes are available for 3- and 4-year-olds. For information or an appointment to visit, call Greta Kenen at 422-3187 or Jenny Schlarer at 295-7790.

MEDICAL SERVICE

Fridays — Free medical service, provided by Dr. Stanley Sczeclenski, is available every Friday beginning 9 a.m. (appointments only), at the Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh. Service will include consultation, blood pressure readings, heart and lung check, and ear, nose and throat examination. If a potentially serious problem is found, Dr. Sczeclenski will refer you or recommend you go to your own doctor. For information, call 722-7632.

EXERCISE

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

HOST LIONS

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

Businesses profit from sport cards, offer tips for collectors

Continued from Page 1

ing baseball, football, hockey, basketball and others. There are also a variety of companies that produce the cards like Score, Donruss, Topps, and Upper Deck.

Shop owners are happy to give advice to hobbyists who visit their shops. The owners agree that collectors should decide on one sport and one company, then concentrate on completing their "set."

A set may be a team set, or a set of one player from their rookie year card on through their current year card. Other collectors work on collecting a complete set of players who played that year. Complete sets can be purchased from dealers for about \$20 to \$50 depending on the company that produced the set.

THIS IS the best way to insure you have one of each player according to Richard Rey of A to Z, on Ford west of Merriman.

But, if a collector buys individual wax packs, working toward a complete set, they have the opportunity to obtain duplicates of key players, that can be traded or sold for cards they need, he says. So, there are possible advantages for the collector either way.

"It's always exciting to open a wax pack," says Rey. "They're like little lottery tickets." Older wax packs are still available from deal-

ers and "for a \$75 pack of 1986-1987 Fleer basketball cards, you still have a chance at a \$300 Michael Jordan card," said Rey.

According to Rey, buying individual wax packs is the way most collectors get started.

Keeping cards or comics in good condition plays an important part in their value, said Rey. "A small crease in a card can reduce it to a fraction of its original value," he said.

There are several ways to store and protect cards and comics, from cardboard boxes and backings, to individual acrylic cases for special cards.

Magazines and books are available at the shops for collectors to keep up on the latest information giving collectors updated card and comic values and other helpful or entertaining information about their hobby.

DAVID TOURANGEAU, owner of The Treasure Hut on Middlebelt just north of Ford, opened his shop after he got tired of packing up everything on weekends to take to card shows.

Tourangeau, a full-time Ford Motor employee, enjoys the business and says he likes working with kids and because "it's like you never have to grow up. I also get a lot of information from the kids, as well as give them information," he says.

'It's always exciting to open a wax pack. They're like little lottery tickets.'

— Richard Rey

For Tourangeau, the only real drawback to the business is "sorting commons," which is organizing cards that are worth only about three or four cents each.

Sorting commons isn't as distasteful to Odetalla of Play Ball.

Odetalla, who recommends collectors follow their sport closely and try to determine who may have a good year, found plenty of Cecil Fielder cards in the "common" files at a card show this spring in Atlantic City. "Cards that were 10 to 15 cents a piece jumped to \$20 or \$30 this summer," he said.

Odetalla dropped out of law school in order to devote his time to what he really enjoyed — sport card and comic collecting. So far, he hasn't been sorry. For a few years he worked card shows. "I've been to shows all over the country," he said.

ODETALLA OPENED Play Ball in August with Fred Farhat, a long-time friend who became interested in collecting after Odetalla took him to New York for company as he attended card shows there.

Odetalla enjoys working with collectors, especially when they open a pack at the store and get the card they've been looking for. "People jump up and down like they won the lotto," he says.

Richard and Michael Rey are co-owners of A to Z in Garden City. The brothers come from a collectors family. "My father's sole support comes from stamp collecting," says Richard.

"Right now sports card collecting is in, but all collectibles are cyclic," he says. "They will slow down sooner or later."

The brothers opened their Garden City store about five years ago. They were owners of a stamp and coin shop in Dearborn before that time.

Richard feels fortunate to be able to make a living doing something he

really enjoys, although he admits he might make more money doing something else.

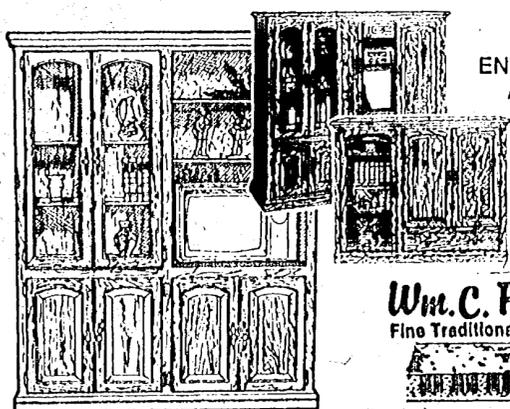
HE ADVISES collectors to keep their cards in good condition and to keep them organized, so they will be able to find what they're looking for.

"Cards should be organized first by company, then by year and then by numerical order," he suggests.

Wayne's Pashigian has been in the area eight years and dealt in stamps and coins before buying into the card shop. He still has a few coins and stamps available, but most of his inventory is sports card, comics, and collectors supplies for these hobbies. Pashigian quit his brick laying job to enter the collectible business.

All the owners buy, sell and trade cards and comics.

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Ed McNamara talks about the county and his future

Is he or isn't he? That's the question buzzing around Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara these days. Is the Livonia Democrat going to be a 1994 candidate for governor or not?

For his part, McNamara doesn't sound like a candidate — at least not all the time.

"There's so much ahead of us that our feeling is — if you can do something about crime and do something about education — why do you need to be governor anyway?" said McNamara, who will be sworn in for a second four-year term as county executive Jan. 1.

While rumors persist as to his future ambition, McNamara seems firmly focused on county issues as his new term begins.

And there are plenty of issues to keep him busy. With the largest number of unemployed — and underemployed — people of any county in Michigan, Wayne County is bracing for cuts in the state social service budget. But there's also an airport to expand, roads to repair and a ball club to keep.

Then there's McNamara's own commitment to make life better for county residents without raising property taxes — to "show how it can be done and done better," as he puts it.

At the same time, there is an apparent rift between the executive and the United Autoworkers Union, a rift some see as indicative of a battle for the heart and future direction of the state Democratic Party.

Whether he succeeds, and whatever his future ambition, McNamara is sure to be one of the Michigan's most-watched politicians in the coming years.

McNamara recently sat down with Observer reporter Wayne Peal, who has covered his administration since he first took office, for an overview of the future — both his and the county's.

What follows are highlights of that conversation:

Observer: You've said that taking over General Assistance (welfare) payments from the state is one of your goals. Why does the county want general assistance?

McNamara: The strong feeling with the state is that nobody can do it better than they can. At the same time, you've got some people saying abolish it altogether. Our interest is

because of the nature of Wayne County, there are a lot of unemployed and underemployed people, a lot more indigents. Our feeling is the state should not arbitrarily do anything about General Assistance.

Observer: You're also seeking to expand the county care health program (designed for unemployed, indigent county residents) to include the working poor. Isn't this too big a burden for the county?

McNamara: It's our feeling the purpose of county government is to provide services people can't provide for themselves. Plus, this isn't a billion dollar project. Employees can see the benefits. We see the signs in the windows of places like McDonald's all the time — they're now hiring people at more than minimum wage. But they often don't provide health insurance. What we're saying is, if you're going to hire this person and if you're going to train them, why risk losing them over health insurance. We have the providers now, hospitals that have empty beds.

At the same time, mental health is up in the air. It's run by a 12-person board, six from Detroit and six from the county. What we're looking for is a change to allow nine from the county.

We're also looking at care that includes treatment of violence — treating violent behavior similar to the way they treat alcoholism. We feel that's what it (violence) is — an illness. We want to take these people

and make them less violent.

We're not looking at new money, we feel there's a lot that's being eaten up in administrative costs.

Observer: It sounds like you have a platform and you've been rumored as a candidate for governor. Can we expect an announcement any time soon?

McNamara: There's so much to be done in the county that being governor is not a factor. We want to see the Tigers build a new stadium in Detroit, there's the issue of developing the airport, there's the free trade agreement with Canada and, just to begin that, we need a new bridge to bring the people over here.

Observer: If you're not going to run for governor — or if you are — can we expect to see you take a leadership role in Democratic party politics, maybe helping shape a party agenda for 1992 and beyond?

McNamara: The way the system is, there's a lot you have to go through. There's the UAW which, in my opinion is not a very democratic institution. It seems they don't want to hear new ideas. I know there's the Jim Blanchard example — of being out there in front and waiting for the party to catch up.

Incidentally, if I decided to run for governor it wouldn't necessarily have to be as a Democrat. I'd never run as a Republican, but why not as an independent? Of course, I'm not saying I'd do that, either.

Observer: It seems as if your relations with the county commission are further apart that they were this



JIM JAGDFELD/staff photographer

Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara, one of Michigan's most-watched politicians in the coming year, relaxing in his Livonia home.

time last year. Is this an outgrowth of the situation with the UAW?

McNamara: I suppose it's true. I know they began to feel their oats with the Kay Beard race. (Veteran commissioner Beard, D-Inkster, was the winner in a Democratic primary seen by insiders as a showdown between the union and McNamara.)

We get along with everybody but the UAW and I'm not really sure why. Maybe it's because I don't call them every time I make a decision. But I've always returned their calls.

Observer: Safety at Metro Airport

has become a concern with this month's crash of two departing jets. What's being done to boost safety, especially with regard to ground radar?

McNamara: It's (ground radar) on track for the airport for the latter part of next year. Personally, I'm not convinced ground radar would have made a difference.

Observer: What about Tiger Stadium?

McNamara: I'm absolutely convinced Tiger management is going to have to have some kind of subsidy and I'm absolutely positive the

Tigers are not going to stay at the stadium they have now. Our position is, keep it in Detroit. We think we can do it. Back in '71 there was a stadium law that allows the county to levy a hotel and motel tax of five percent and we could use that. It's pre-Headlee and you could do it without a vote of the people.

Our position is if you want 300 acres, why not go for 600? Let's develop business and single family housing around the stadium. We want to play a role. We want to keep the Tigers in Wayne County with the first priority being Detroit.

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Red Cross in search of holiday blood donations

By Alice Collins
staff writer

"I was a little scared the first time I did this, but no problem this time." Kevin Edwards just finished giving a pint of his type O positive blood at a Red Cross blood drive session in a suburban business office. "I feel OK," he said after munching cookies and sipping juice for a pickup. "I hope it will help somebody."

Nineteen employees of Paging Network of Michigan, based in Southfield, signed up to donate during the morning session conducted by the American Red Cross.

The unit working at that office is one of 13 mobile units out each day in search of blood for Southeastern Michigan. The Red Cross also has nine regular centers it hopes will be flooded with donors during the holiday season.

Holidays always bring serious shortages in the blood supply. "It's because people are busy doing a million other things," said Red Cross spokeswoman Denise Morrow. "Blood donations are low on priority lists. Then, there are a lot of people who go on vacation."

THE SOUTHEASTERN Michigan chapter has already issued its emergency call for donors for this holiday season. "Right now we're looking at a serious deficit between Christmas and New Year's," Morrow continued.

"We need to collect at least 850 pints a day to meet the needs of the patients in the hospitals we serve."

One recent change in the eligibility rules for potential donors in Michigan is the elimination of the maximum age limit. That occurred earlier this year, according to Morrow. The limit used to be 65.

We found there was a large number of regular donors over 65 who were going over the line to Ohio to donate where it was permitted. That's when we decided to lift it."

A DONOR MUST be at least 17 years old, weigh at least 110 pounds and be in good health. "We always do a mini-physical before," said Morrow. "We prick their ear to check their iron level, take their temperature and do a blood pressure check." A history of illness is also taken.

'We need to collect at least 850 pints a day to meet the needs of the patients in the hospitals we serve.'

— Denise Morrow
Red Cross spokeswoman

Persons who are rejected are given a badge to wear that says, "I tried."

Generally, giving blood takes about an hour.

The drawing time is much less. "That part usually takes less than 10 minutes," Morrow said. "It actually depends on how fast you bleed. Some people bleed faster than others."

After the blood drawing is complete, the donor goes to a nearby table referred to as the canteen. It's where the donor can sit, drink some juice, eat cookies and stay until he or she feels ready to leave.

"We watch them to make sure they're not going to faint," said Ruth Alexander of Redford Township, a Red Cross volunteer manning the canteen table at Paging Network. "Sometimes they say they feel all right, but they really don't. We had a young man who fainted this morning. He said he felt all right but he just didn't look rosy cheeked."

When someone feels faint one of the registered nurses on duty is there to take care of him or her.

THE BLOOD IS carefully identified at the site, but it isn't checked for AIDS or other serious diseases until it reaches the Red Cross laboratory in Detroit. "If any of the tests come back positive, the donor is no-

tified and the blood is destroyed," Morrow said.

All blood types are needed, she said, "but the one always in most demand is O negative." That blood type, which is relatively rare, is considered universal and compatible with other blood types. It can be transfused to almost any patient regardless of his or her blood type.

The most popular blood type is O positive. Thirty-six out of 100 persons have that type. Next is A positive, 32 out of 100; B positive, 11 out of 100; O negative and A negative, both seven out of 100; AB positive, four out of 100; B negative, 2 out of 100; and AB negative, just one out of 100.

THE RED CROSS has a new toll free number for persons with questions about donating blood: 1-800-582-4383.

In celebration of the spirit of giving, the Detroit Symphony Orchestra will honor American Red Cross blood donors with a special concert at 7:30 p.m. Jan. 13 at Orchestra Hall.

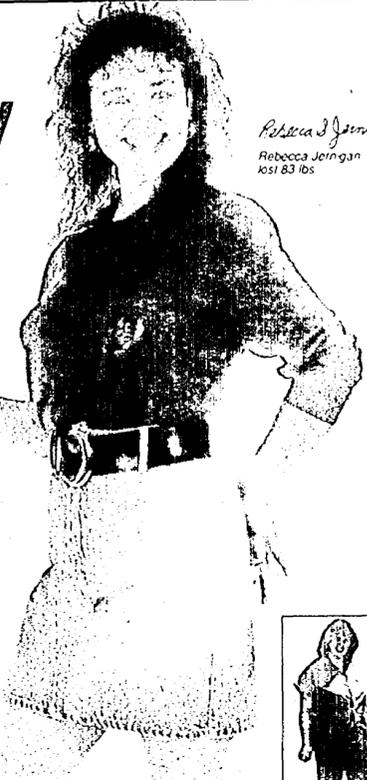
Persons who donate blood between Dec. 27-31 at one of the nine donor centers will receive two complimentary tickets to the concert.



JERRY ZOLYNSKY/staff photographer

After donating a pint of her blood, Paging Network employee Rochelle Houie perks herself up with cookies and juice at the "canteen table." Red Cross volunteer Ruth Alexander of Redford Township keeps an eye on Houie to make sure she's OK.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed proposals will be received at the Office of the City Clerk, in the Civic Center, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan 48135 (Telephone: 313 525-8814) on or before Monday, January 7, 1991 at 3:00 P.M. for the purchase of one new model Passenger Van. Proposals must be submitted on forms furnished by the City Clerk, in a sealed envelope endorsed "Sealed Bid for Passenger Van". The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, in whole or in part and to waive any formalities when deemed in the best interest of the City.

R. D. SHOWALTER
City Clerk-Treasurer

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING January 10, 1991 CITY OF GARDEN CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing will be held by the Planning Commission, at the Council Chambers of the Civic Center, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan on THURSDAY, January 10, 1991, at 7:30 p.m., for the purpose of hearing and considering all comments of all persons interested in or concerned with the following request(s):
Item 12-90-093 Richard King
Location: Pierce Street
Consideration of a Street Vacation request for the City to vacate the paper street stub known as Pierce Court, located east of Henry Ruff between Bock and Hennequin.
The applicant's submittal materials are available for public review at the Garden City Planning Office, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan, (313) 525-8813.

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All persons interested in any of the above are hereby invited to attend this Public Hearing and be heard.
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Jewish wedding Couples get religious rites denied them in Soviet Union

By Helen Nlomloc

Ilene Stutman went to her first Jewish wedding ceremony Sunday.

It was her own. She and her husband, Jeffrey, were among 13 couples who were married at a suburban temple during a Jewish ceremony. All had been married in civil ceremonies in the Soviet Union and now that they had immigrated to the United States, were finally taking religious vows.

Before the 2 p.m. ceremony, the couple sat with their son, William, a high school senior, waiting for the proceedings to start.

The couple had been married 18 years and exactly one month to the day when they walked down the aisle of the temple.

"This is something that we've looked forward to," Ilene said. She and her family left Moscow a year ago. William explained that Moscow had but one synagogue and that worshipping there was forbidden.

"We always wanted a Jewish wedding," Ilene explained.

Ilene and Jeffrey didn't suffer the usual prewedding jitters. Instead, a period of time that couples use for prewedding dinners and other family get-togethers was spent a little differently.

"Spiritual preparation," Jeffrey said of how he spent the period before the wedding. "This synagogue is a very nice one. We have nothing like this in Russia."

His sister and his parents arrived at the temple shortly before the service was to start. Ilene explained that Jeffrey's sister had immigrated to the U.S. first and filed the appropriate papers to get the Stutman family to this area.

IT'S BEEN a full year for the family. Ilene is working as a mechanical engineer. Jeffrey is improving his English language skills and then will take a test so he can practice dentistry here, as he did when the family lived in Moscow. William, whose command of English is exceptional, will graduate from high school in June. He hopes to eventual-

ly enter medical school.

Reminiscing and talking of the future, the time came for the ceremony. Jeffrey stood up in his navy blue suit while Ilene straightened her pink dress. They smiled broadly as final instructions were given about the impending ceremony.

Flute and harp music played as temple elders walked down the white-clothed aisle carrying two chuppahs, canopies under which the couples would wed. Hand in hand, each of the 13 couples went up the aisle to the altar to stand under the traditional chuppah.

Rabbi Daniel Polish and Julian Cook officiated that afternoon, with cantor Gail Hirschenfang singing the traditional blessings in Hebrew. The blessings were repeated both in English and Russian.

"This is the day the Lord has made. It's an amazing day for you who stand under the chuppah. It's an amazing day for us," said Polish.

He acknowledged that the couples were married before "but this is different," Polish said.

"As one of you told me, you were allowed to invite friends to your first wedding but you were not allowed to invite God," Polish said. "Now you have invited God to be a part of your wedding, a part of your lives."

THE RABBI called the mass weddings a miracle, which he said appropriately came during the celebration of Hanukkah, the eight-day Festival of Lights which serves as a period of rededication to the Jewish faith.

"We celebrate a miracle — the miracle of you. You were raised in a country where you couldn't live like Jews. It's a miracle that you are free. And it's a miracle that your faith in the Jewish religion has survived. It's a miracle that all of us

rejoice in," Polish said.

The couples exchanged vows, drank from a cup of wine and exchanged rings, closing the ceremony with the breaking of glasses in remembrance that even in times of joy, people should be mindful of the sorrows of others.

The several hundred in the temple applauded as the couples walked from the aisle, heading to a reception sponsored by the congregation.

Pink, purple and white helium balloons were displayed throughout the hall and a long head table with one large wedding cake and 13 smaller cakes waited for the newly-wedded couples.

"It was beautiful," Jeffrey Stutman said of the ceremony.

"I feel happy," Ilene said. "This is a great day."

Another couple from Southfield, Robert and Deborah Frank, served as ushers during the ceremony and agreed that it was a beautiful sight. They also are newlyweds, as their marriage was held in late October.

"This is the real meaning of Hanukkah," he said. "It's the freedom to practice your religion when you want."

THE STUTMANS joined the other 12 couples at the head table, as Cantor Hirschenfang started the toast which the hundreds of guests joined by raising wine glasses.

"A toast to the lovely bridal couples. Today we have witnessed the commitment to each other and to Judaism. We are all filled with joy in participating in the union occurring today. This is one small step towards a world where Jew and Gentile live in peace. And one small step where all men and women may live in freedom," Hirschenfang said.

The response was a rousing "L'Chaim" (to life).



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Our beliefs Speaking out on 1990 issues

IT WAS supposed to be the year of the environment — and it was — but 1990 was a year of many, varied issues. Nationally, it was a year of unprecedented attacks on free speech and battles over the limits of police power. On the state level, the year brought bat-

les over abortion rights, taxes and school financing. A host of regional issues, from controlling urban sprawl to picking the site for a new Tiger Stadium, also surfaced. Here's where the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers stood on the major issues of 1990:



FREE SPEECH

Despite the importance of other issues, intrusions on the right to free speech filled Observer & Eccentric editorial pages more than any other topic.

- We warned against the dangers of labeling record albums, as had occurred in Florida, and local leaders apparently heeded our warning. Record labeling has not occurred in Michigan by year's end and it's future here remains doubtful.

- In a related matter, Oakland County Prosecutor Richard Thompson drew our praise for not prosecuting a suburban record store owner whose front window displayed a controversial but clearly non-obscene record album cover.

- When it came to other forms of expression, we encouraged school boards and parents to review classroom films — such as the one unfortunately linked to the possible suicide of an area boy.

- At the same time, we had no kind words for the new NC-17 rating system that would govern what students — and adults — could see at their local movie house. Movie ratings, we argued, are too restrictive and are driven by economics, not any concern for free thought and debate.

- Congress surprised and pleased us, however, by rejecting a Constitutional amendment that would have banned flag burning. Patriotism, we argued, cannot be legislated, while a true democracy clears the way even for unpopular forms of expression.

- Last we be accused of leaning too far to the left, we also argued in favor of anti-abortion activists who picketed outside local doctor's homes. Streets and sidewalks are public property, we argued, in urging local communities to avoid drafting anti-picketing ordinances.



ENVIRONMENT

The 20th anniversary of Earth Day this spring provided the rallying cry for environmentalists throughout the nation and region. We're happy to report the Earth Day spirit carried well into the year.

- We encouraged local communities to begin recycling and many have already responded. Birmingham, Livonia, Plymouth Township, Plymouth and Southfield were but three of the area communities that began recycling programs in the past year.

- In addition, we encouraged the state Department of Natural Resources to stop delaying and approve county waste disposal master plans — in part to help speed up recycling efforts. Happily, they responded.

- At the same time, we hailed the East Michigan Environmental Action Council on its 20th anniversary. We praised the group, an outgrowth of the first Earth Day, for pressing environmental issues during the hostile climate for the 1980s.



CRIME & PUNISHMENT

The war on drugs brought a slew of proposals to increase police powers, most of them ill-advised. While we stood solidly behind such anti-substance abuse groups as Mothers Against Drunk Driving, we also stood up for civil liberties.

- Michigan's proposed "no knock" law, allowing police to enter homes, without warrant, on the mere suspicion drugs were present, was bad law, we argued. Such a move would shred civil liberties. Then, as now, we don't want fewer rights and a drug free society; we want more rights and a drug free society. While anti-drug hysteria seems to have subsided, attacks on civil liberties continue.

- In a similar vein, we argued against driver check lanes. Despite a U.S. Supreme Court ruling in support of drunk driving check lanes, we argued the move not only intruded on drivers' civil liberties but was also a colossal waste of police time. We note few local police departments, if any, are using check lanes.

- One aspect of the drug war we support —

forfeiture of drug dealer assets — nonetheless needs tightening. We argued police departments should work more closely to assure each participating department received an equitable share of the confiscated assets. At the same time, we argued that proper care should be taken to assure assets of non-related parties — including relatives of the accused — were included in the haul.

- We used our Easter Week editorial to argue against restoring the death penalty in Michigan — the timing was not lost on perceptive readers.



HEALTH ISSUES

Abortion, the most controversial health issue, remained hot in 1990 and shows no signs of cooling off in the coming year.

- Michigan's new parental consent law drew our editorial fire. Even though 330,000 Michigan residents signed petitions making parental consent law, we believe that merely represents a small, narrow, viewpoint. Despite presence of a new, pro-life governor, we continue to urge pro-choice legislators to roll back abortion restrictions. At the same time, we also support increasing sex education programs as a method of curbing unwanted pregnancies.

- More education was also our strong recommendation on smoking, another major health care issue. Looking at the Michigan Tobacco Reduction Task Force's recent report, we concluded our schools should do more to educate youngsters on the dangers of smoking. At least one local community, however, took a more radical task force recommendation to heart. Rochester Hills is, at this moment, trying to ban cigarette vending machines in areas frequented by minors.



TAX & SPENDING ISSUES

Several tax-and-spend issues came our way in 1990. Some looked ineffectual, others too confusing. New Gov. John Engler is promising substantial property tax savings in 1991. We'll see.

- On school aid, we sharply criticized the rob-from-the-rich-give-to-the-poor approach, calling for more school spending all around. We blasted Gov. Blanchard's plan to take categorical state aid from wealthier districts and give them to poorer districts (and look what happened to him). By year's end, however, Lansing's Robin Hood was floating a new proposal, one that calls for a "sharing" of district tax bases. Again, we say down with it.

- We weren't too big on the state's major tax cut initiative, the so-called Patterson/Anderson proposal. We found it too complicated and confusing to make the ballot. Apparently, state voters agreed. Petition gatherers failed to gain enough signatures to force a vote on the issue.



AROUND OUR REGION

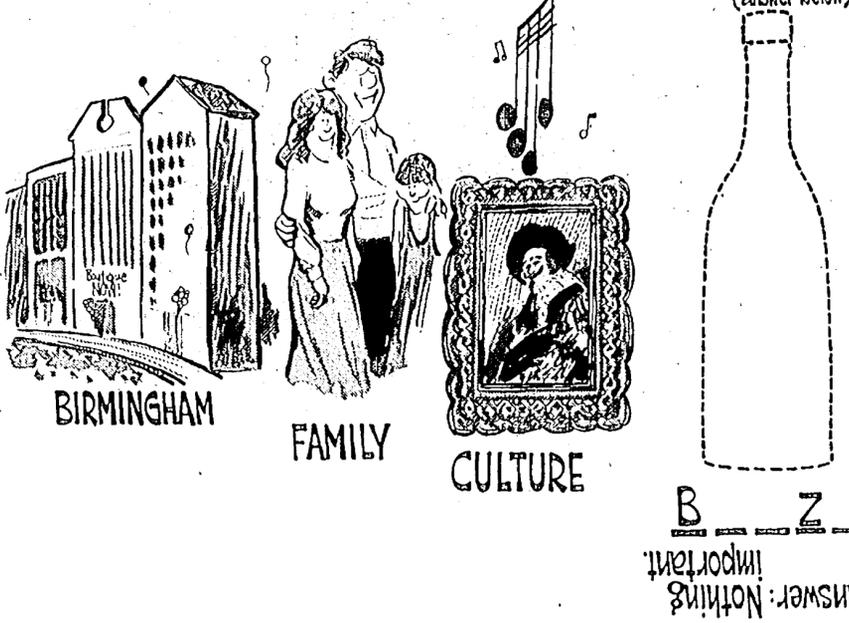
Development, whether of a new Tiger Stadium or a suburban "mogamall," was still a hot issue this year. Whether it will remain so depends on whether we have a recession — as predicted — and how long it lasts. As for this year:

- As Cecil Fielder was just embarking on his home run binge, we called for a new Tiger Stadium to be built near the old. While Allen Park has emerged as a leading contender, with Plymouth Township a viable alternative, we continue to call for a centrally located ballpark, built with private — not public — money.

- With development sprawling throughout our region, we called for stricter controls on growth. We argued for a regional planning authority to prevent unnecessary development. We still think it's a good idea regardless of whether recession makes development a moot issue in 1991.

- Stating our long-held belief that Detroit's revitalization is key to our area as a whole, we praised Detroiters who patrolled their streets on Devil's Night — and called on suburbanites to help them next year.

THINKING? Question: What is missing in this "First Night" picture? (answer below)



Community still is main focus of this newspaper

EXACTLY 25 years ago this week I bought the six Observer Newspapers.

A lot has happened since then:

- The company has grown considerably. It now publishes 53 community newspapers, including this one.

- Our company name is now Suburban Communications Corp., reflecting our interest in providing news and information of all sorts to a wide variety of markets.

- Our technology — modern, computerized data bases and laser typesetters — is light years away from the clanking Linotype machine on which I used to set this column.

But looking back over 25 years in the newspaper business, what strikes me is how closely we have clung to our fundamental focus of publishing community newspapers.

THE FIRST front page editorial I wrote as publisher tried to set out what we were about. Among other things, it said:

"We will try to bring to these newspapers an informed and probing curiosity about everything of local interest, from sewage to high school football, from racial discrimination to good recipes, from local politics to neighborhood writings on."

"To those who write them (and, hopefully, to some of those who read them), newspapers are alive,

I believe that good communities and good newspapers go hand in hand, the success of one contributing to the other.



Philip Power

motivated by a spirit and a commitment, a posture in the world and an ethic. Without these, a newspaper is just another dead piece of paper with print on it.

"It is only in this spirit which permits a newspaper to play its true role: A public conscience."

LAST YEAR, after numerous false starts, I succeeded in getting our company philosophy down on paper for all our staffers to read:

"All journalists share the same obligation to truth, accuracy and fairness. But because we publish community newspapers, we think about community journalism in a fundamentally different way than our bigger competition."

"They consider themselves to be independent from the stories and the communities they cover, swooping in to write of the unusual or sensational and then dashing off to cover something else."

"We regard ourselves as both accurate journalists and as caring citizens of the communities where we both work and live. It's often hard to have both feelings at once, but in the end it makes for fairer and more accurate journalism because it considers the consequences of a news story to the community and to the people involved."

I AM VERY proud of the ways this newspaper and its staffers have contributed to the success of this community. I believe that good communities and good newspapers go hand in hand, the success of one contributing to the other.

And as the New Year comes to mark my 25th anniversary in this business, I look forward with very great excitement and ferocious curiosity to the next 25 years.

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

from our readers

Letters must be original copies and contain the sender's name and address of the sender. Limit letters to 300 words.

Drunk minors a major problem

To the editor:

On a recent Sunday morning at approximately 2:30 a.m. three male juveniles (who were obviously intoxicated) staggered up my street in an attempt to make it home. The oldest of the three boys might have been 15, the other two might have been 14.

The two younger boys walked on to their house up the street. The older boy "relieved himself" near the curb and before heading to his home called out to his two younger companions.

"Hey, how am I going to know where I'm at?"

"As you walk down the side street, keep looking at the signs on the poles and they'll tell you what street you're coming up to," one of the younger boys advised.

"OK," shouted the oldest boy who comforted by his friend's advice continued on out of the dim street lights range, his head bobbing from side to side rapidly he struggled to put one foot in front of the other and walk a straight line.

This is not the first time I have witnessed such an incident in our

community. In fact there is a house on my street the under age crowd "parties" (i.e. consumes alcoholic beverages) at.

As the family unit continues to disintegrate, children are more often found in situations where there is no parental supervision. These same children are using the cover of darkness to drink (I've seen juveniles walking the neighborhood at night with cases of beer under their arms) and/or to destroy other people's property.

The community remains a good place to live but is on shaky ground. I'm looking out my window at night watching the future of our country destroy themselves and other people's property.

In an age when parents are rarely around to exercise authority over their children and are unable or unwilling to exercise authority even when they are around the township needs to move in and exercise all the authority it can and if the township does not step in soon the community will no longer be a good place to live.

Concerned In Redford

Lighthouse says thanks

To the editor:

In August, Lighthouse set a very

high goal of 1,800 families for Thanksgiving. That was an increase designated for our new location Oakland County and made possible by a new distribution site at the Fiero Plant.

Because of the support of area people, churches and schools, the canned goods and turkey money began to arrive the first week in November. As the boxes of cans grew, so did the number of volunteers and trucks and school children to decorate the bags. All of this was coordinated by Jerry and Diane Turner, who did an outstanding job.

Because of the massive outpouring of time, talent or treasure, Lighthouse fed over 2,000 families on Thanksgiving Day. With holiday guests and using family averages, that comes to well over 8,000 people. Take a bow, metro Detroit and especially Oakland County. You have the biggest heart in the nation!

Because of our higher numbers and reductions in expected donations, we did not reach our fund-raising goal, however. We are pleased to have reached such a high number of families and hope in the future that donors will help us to avoid cutting homeless prevention programs, senior programs and hunger programs.

K. Norcen Keating, executive director Pontiac Area Lighthouse

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Nankin Voters Say Yes on Cityhood

The campaign is over, the ballots tallied and Nankin has become a city. Nankin became the City of Westland by a vote of 3,357 to 1,379—a margin of 978 votes. A count of precincts shows 11 precincts voted in favor of incorporation and 11 voted against cityhood.

Although the returns shown above were tentative, the 978 margin almost rules out any possible recount reversing the outcome. It is pretty safe to say that when the results are made official Nankin will be known as the fourth largest city in Wayne County.

Eleven thousand six hundred and eighty-four voters out of about 24,000 registered voters went to the polls Monday to make the community of some 15,000 people the new City of Westland.

Any request for a recount had to be made by 11 a.m. Tuesday and as of press time the official certification was not made to allow printing of the official returns.

Elected as Mayor of Westland was township supervisor Thomas H. Brown who topped all candidates in the election with 6,978 votes compared to the 3,473 votes gained by the other major candidate Ray C. Adams.

Elected to the two Municipal Judge positions were Robert Martin with 3,067 votes and Douglas Hays who was given 2,221 votes.

Candidates elected to the seven-man council of Westland and votes received by each include: Virgil Gagnon, 4,743; Charles McIlhargey, 4,453; John Marks, 3,333; Mrs. Justice Barnes, 3,209; William Anderson, 3,079; Henry Lundquist, 2,933 and Paul Krump, 2,134.

Runners-up for Judge were William Necker, 3,143; William Nelson, 2,971; Thomas G. Smith, 2,627 and Michael Bradley, 1,379.

Council runners-up include: Aulo Aho, 2,687; Ralph Turro, 2,526; George Wetzel, 2,455; John McEwen, 2,329; Paul Tavani, 2,114; Harry Greenfield, 1,840; Richard Stimpson, 1,790; Michael McIntyre, 1,543; Leonard Harris, 1,307; and Hal Watson, 1,279.

Invalid Given Braille Watch

Contributions made during White Cane Week (April 24-30) will be put to use by the Garden City Lions Club to aid the blind people in the area in need of help.

Because this is said every year, an illustration of what the Lions have done with contributions should convince us all to pitch in a little more this year.

Fred W. Ruppel, Ch. of 20222 Brown, Garden City, has been in the hospital since 1954 and his eyes have been blind for the past five years. When Ruppel commented about not knowing whether it was night or day, his wife suggested the Garden City Lions Club to see about getting a braille watch.

The club donated the watch and presented it to Ruppel last week. As a result, he is now comforted by being able to keep track of time and by use of the braille watch know whether the day is shining.

Months in a World War I veteran having served with the 101st Airborne Division in the Battle of Normandy, Ruppel is the son of the late Fred W. Ruppel, who was a member of the Garden City Lions Club of his youth and one of the original members of the club.

Interested individuals may contact Mr. Ruppel, the Garden City Lions Club, to see how they can help. The club is happy to provide braille watches for the blind and interested individuals.



FRED W. RUPPEL received a braille watch given him by the Garden City Lions Club. Making the presentation are: (from left) Doug Kozack and Joseph Gortynski. Similar actions are taking place throughout the year by the Lions Club members.

Lions Make Presentation

Also, contributions may be dropped off at Orin Jewler's, Lion members will collect.

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Brown, Gagnon, McIlhargey Top Vote-Getters on Ballot

The top three vote-getters in the Westland City election proved to be Thomas H. Brown, Virgil Gagnon and Charles McIlhargey in that order.

Brown, lead all candidates in his successful bid for Mayor with 6,978 votes a margin of 3,505 over his opponent Ray Adams.

Virgil Gagnon was the second leading vote-getter with 4,743 people electing him to the City Council. Council candidate Charles McIlhargey, present township treasurer, finished third among all the candidates with 4,453 votes.

Although Robert Martin was elected easily to the post of Municipal Judge Douglas Craig just barely received the second judgeship. Martin led with 3,067 votes and Craig finished with 2,221 votes, only 18 more votes than his nearest opponent William K. Necker. William Stetina who was the second runner-up to Craig was short by 249 votes.

The candidates elected to Council besides Gagnon and McIlhargey include: John Marks, 3,333; Mrs. Justice Barnes, 3,209; William Anderson, 3,079; Henry Lundquist, 2,933 and Paul Krump, 2,130.

Challenging Krump for the seventh Council seat were Aulo Aho, 2,687; Ralph Turro, 2,526; George Wetzel, 2,455 and John McEwen, 2,329.

Also missed election to the Council by only 43 votes Turro missed by 212; Wetzel by 215 and McEwen missed by 441 votes.

Candidates in the race for judge not mentioned above in this issue George Perry with 1,979 votes and Charles Cheatham with 1,014 votes.

Council candidates not in the running and the order of finish is as follows:

Milton Hack, 1,203; Lawrence Woods, 1,256; William Vedura, 1,054; Anthony Colombo, 1,014; Daniel Myers, 963; Mrs. Muriel Tucker, 946; Mrs. Emma Schaefer, 814; Ralph Edwards, 806; William Hanford Jr., 853; Mrs. Clarence Nesbitt, 858 and Robert Spitzer, 823.

(Other runners-up for Council and votes received include: Harold Nichols, 808; Matthew Charlski Jr. and James D. Watt, 1,054; Joseph Cypariski, 750; Frank X. Church, 757; Robert Albritch, 750; and Jerome Robuta, 306.)

Council Promises Fight Against Dutch Elm Bug

Garden City Council voted Monday night to have all the City's Elm trees sprayed with DDT before May 15 to make an effort to curb the Dutch Elm bug.

The city was also asked to report given by Councilman Douglas Waddell which showed Garden City lost two per cent of the Elm trees in 1965 due to the Dutch Elm bug.

Reporting on the alarming increase in the death of Garden City Elms, Waddell presented a report of trees having to be removed since 1960. The report showed 100 removed in 1961, 100 in 1962, 100 in 1963, 100 in 1964, 100 in 1965 and 100 in 1966.

Waddell also reported that for the past five years and for the next five years, the city should have a spray program to curb the Dutch Elm bug.

Waddell asked for bids on the above square mile and the lowest bid received from five contractors was 43 cents per tree from R. W. Brayden. "We can't afford to lose our trees for 43 cents a tree," said Waddell.

The accepted bid was based on 850 trees in the square mile and since the other bids lowered as the number of trees increased, the Council expects to spray all the Elms in Garden City at a cheaper rate than the cost of spray.

It was Robert Wildish who suggested spraying all the Elms instead of just the 850. Edward Feist made the motion which passed 10-0. Dr. W. Superintendent George Langford told the Council that the tree account contains about \$4,000.

Chorus Program Will Spotlight Tenor

A fund raising campaign for the Nankin Mills Jr. High to purchase robes for its chorus, that has been growing under the guidance of professional singer Wesley Dalton, will begin on May 20.

Walton, former operatic and concert tenor with the New York Opera Company, will make one of his few public appearances on this date. He will share the billing with his young singers to help them purchase the needed robes.

The chorus has been working on a limited rehearsal schedule this year but the group brings promise of a bright future for vocal music in Nankin.

The administration and students of Nankin Mills Jr. High urge all to attend the performance school is on Cowan Rd. west of

Heads House Economic Development Committee

Tierney Gets Chairmanship Taken Away From O'Brien

Rep. James Tierney (D-Garden City) is the new chairman of the House Economic Development Committee replacing Rep. Edward D. O'Brien (D-Detroit) who lost his chairmanship after a display of temper on the House floor.

O'Brien was stripped of his chairmanship by Speaker of the House Joseph W. Parnell after the Detroit representative raved at the acting speaker on the House floor and had to be restrained by a Sergeant-at-Arms.

O'Brien made his charge down the House aisle after he was denied a chance to explain his "no" vote on an amendment to a bill being discussed.

O'Brien claimed it was his constitutional right to explain his "no" vote but according to procedure rules adopted by the House, explanation of a vote can only be given after passage of a bill and not for separate amendments of a bill.

Kowalski stripped O'Brien of his chairmanship as a type of punishment and appointed Tierney in his place. Tierney had been vice-chairman of the House Economic Development Committee.

As chairman, Tierney will



JAMES TIERNEY

play a significant role in Michigan's struggle to convince the Atomic Energy Commission to finance an atomic accelerator and research installation in the western part of Westland County.

Six states including Michigan are vying for the atomic installation which brings with it an annual payroll of \$75 million, initial cost to the state getting the installation, which requires some \$600 million, Tierney told The Observer.

Tierney was with Governor George Romney, a group of legislators and members of the Atomic Energy Commission recently to visit the site Michigan is proposing to lease to the AEC for the installation.

Tierney explains that the legislature is presently involved with research into necessary legislation to be enacted to implement Michigan's chances of getting the atomic accelerator.

On each step, Tierney said, would be to provide about \$3 million to the state.

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What's Happening

- Michigan Monday — 6:30
- Michigan Tuesday — 6:30
- Michigan Wednesday — 6:30
- Michigan Thursday — 6:30
- Michigan Friday — 6:30
- Michigan Saturday — 6:30
- Michigan Sunday — 6:30

Free Objects

Garden City Mayor Edna Feist Jr. announced that objects printed in the Garden City Observer during his period of Monday night's Council meeting.

Free objects include: Garden City Observer, Garden City News, Garden City Bulletin, Garden City Record, Garden City Times, Garden City Journal, Garden City Post, Garden City Review, Garden City Herald, Garden City Tribune, Garden City Chronicle, Garden City Express, Garden City Messenger, Garden City Voice, Garden City Echo, Garden City Whisper, Garden City Scream, Garden City Shout, Garden City Yell, Garden City Howl, Garden City Roar, Garden City Bellow, Garden City Grunt, Garden City Gasp, Garden City Sigh, Garden City Whimper, Garden City Whine, Garden City Wail, Garden City Cry, Garden City Scream, Garden City Shout, Garden City Yell, Garden City Howl, Garden City Bellow, Garden City Grunt, Garden City Gasp, Garden City Sigh, Garden City Whimper, Garden City Whine, Garden City Wail, Garden City Cry.

School Tax Allocation Hearing Set For May 11

A tax allocation hearing on Garden City School's proposed budget for 1976-77 will be held Wednesday, May 11, at the City County Building in Detroit.

The annual hearing is held so Wayne County officials can review the tax allocation budget submitted by the Garden City Board of Education to determine what millage will be collected by the district on the 1976-77 state equalized valuation.

The tax allocation budget is expected to receive some discussion at tonight's (Wednesday) Board of Education meeting at the Central Administration Building, 20155 Parde.

Other items on the agenda for tonight include:

- Proposed drainage improvements for tracks at East and West High Schools.
- Attendance boundaries for elementary pupils assigned to attend J. W. School in 1976-77 (Henry, Lesh and Marguerite students).
- Consider providing bus service for children school attendance.
- Consider equipment purchase for the 1976 Vocational Shop.

A hearing also will be held at the Board of Education and members of the Garden City Board of Education of O'Brien and Secretary Objects.

Paving Cost Rising, Who'll Pay.. Council

A request to pave a street in Garden City prompted the Council Monday night to make a study on what the City's share in meeting the expense of paving projects should be.

The Council was presented with a petition from property owners to Ruth between Middlebelt and Harrison to have their street included in the 1966 paving program.

The petition contained the figure of \$10 per footage (feet) as the expense to be met by the property owners. Councilman Edward Feist, Douglas Gaddell and Wilson Taylor all spoke up and agreed another arrangement was necessary as it cost about \$11 per foot and the City should not have to foot that much for paving.

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Garden City Will Cleanup

The week of May 1-10 has been proclaimed as "Clean Up Week" in Garden City by Mayor Edna J. Feist Jr.

Clean Up Week is being promoted in Garden City. Mayor Feist explains, because "the general health and welfare of our citizens depend on a clean, wholesome environment arising from good clean living conditions."

"The lives and property of our people are endangered by filth and rubbish dumped by hand and stored in piles in our streets, backyards, vacant lots and other areas. It is our duty to clean up our city and to make it a more pleasant and healthful place to live in."

"We urge all citizens to help us by cleaning up their own property and to report any illegal dumping to the City of Garden City. We will be glad to help you in any way we can."

Enter Ball Teams In Nankin Leagues

Nankin Township Parks and Recreation Department is accepting entries for baseball and softball leagues.

An organizational meeting for managers will be held tonight (Wednesday) at 7 p.m. at the Recreation Center, 21115 Derby.

An organizational meeting for managers of Men's Class A and C softball leagues will also be held tonight at 7 p.m. at the Recreation Center.

Teams and managers for the above mentioned leagues are asked to register at the Parks and Recreation Office, 21115 Derby at 6:30 p.m. or 9:30 p.m.

School's Loan to Government's Gain

The Wayne Community School District has lost a lawsuit and the United States Government has gained an employee.

Wayne Community School District vs. United States Government, No. 73-1000, was argued by the Wayne Community School District in the U. S. District Court.

NOTICE...

City of Garden City
 Notice of Public Hearing
 The City of Garden City will hold a public hearing on Monday, May 11, 1976, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber, City County Building, Detroit, Michigan, to consider the proposed budget for the fiscal year 1976-77.

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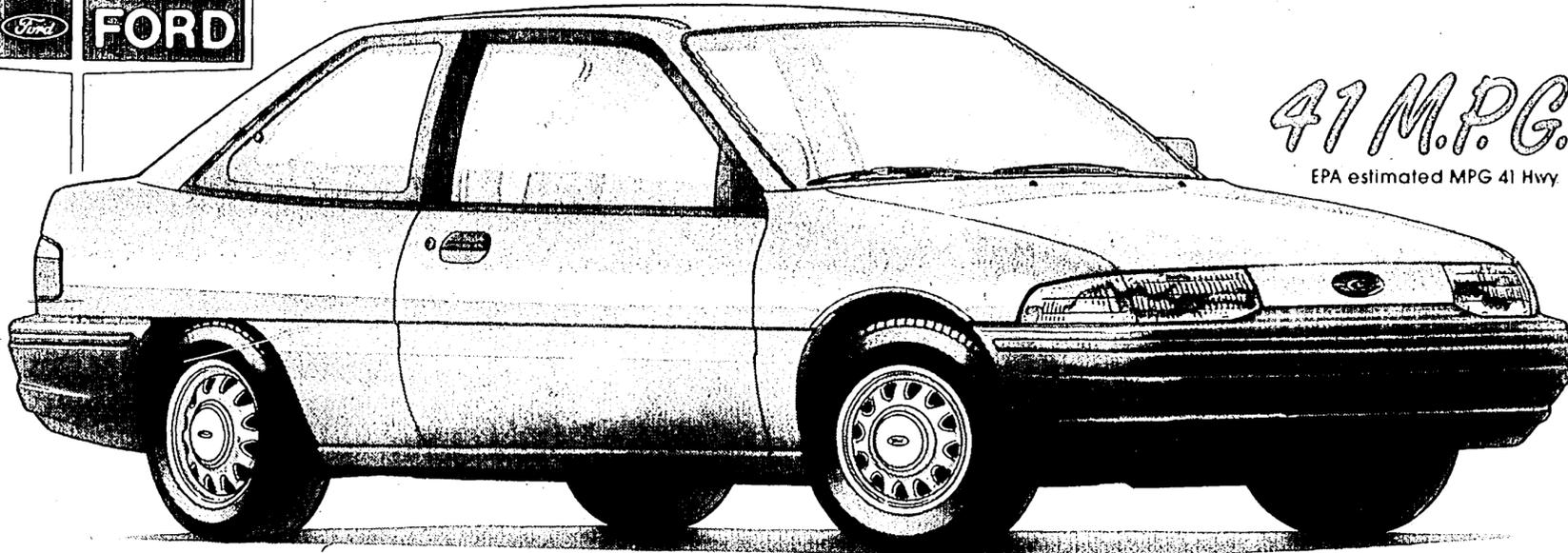
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For cold weather, Mark goes for a taupe mob-style trench coat of cashmere wool by Nino Danieli.



PERFECT PAIRS

Euro-flair captivates twins

By Janice Brunson
staff writer

Mark and Jeff Hyman are a double barometer of men's fashion trends.

Identical twins from Livonia who modeled winter 1990-91 lines at high fashion shows last spring in Italy, France and Germany, their personal style is decidedly European and at least a year ahead of American fashion.

Medium-length sideburns. Flowery, two-dimensional ties in vivid tones. Over-sized, '40s era suits. Lots of suede.

"Now it's nothing but Italian for us," said Jeff.

"European," Mark added. "You can see the difference. It's a definite (fashion) step up."

Other trends just around the corner for men — bell-bottom pants, three-piece vested suits, slacks cinched high above the waist and wide belts.

At least, these are the trappings of styles highlighted on runways in Milan, Paris and Munich by the Hyman brothers, one of three sets of American twins used last season by European designers. (Another set of brothers hail from Kansas and a set of sisters are Detroit natives.)

"The secret is being in Europe. You see what's coming here in ad-

off the cuff

vance," Jeff said.

Although both are heavily influenced by such romantic designers as Gianni Versace, Giorgio Armani and Gianfranco Ferré of Italy and Hugo Boss of Germany, there are subtle differences in personal preference.

JEFF FAVORS sports jackets, slacks and shirts opened at the collar.

"When I go out, I like to look kind of sexy, you know, the real suave look," he laughed. He wears lots of black and especially likes the trench coat look.

Mark prefers suits.

"I like classy — Versace, Hugo Boss, Armani," he said. "I love wearing that stuff."

Although basically conservative in taste, both said they enjoy a touch of flash but "never buy anything that's trendy. Never."

They expect selections to span seasons and years, a comforting thought when tastes run toward \$1,000 suits and \$75 ties.

Buying high quality is smart.

"It lasts. It looks good. You can

sit in it for hours and still look good," Mark said.

"You can just look at it, and tell it's good quality," Jeff rejoined, pointing to an oversized Verri Vomo suit of 100 percent virgin wool. "It's light. It can be worn year around."

Their interests in fashion, while admittedly more keen since the European experience, is not necessarily new.

WHILE ATTENDING Livonia's Stevenson High School, "we were always into clothes." Polo by Ralph Lauren (Mark) and Calvin Klein (Jeff).

After graduation in 1982, both attended Northwood Institute and now each sells insurance, Jeff for Metropolitan Life and Mark for New York Life.

An inherited flair for fashion?

"Nah," they laughed, one or the other adding that "Dad doesn't dress that great."

"That's sweet" is the comment about a taupe, mob-style trench coat of cashmere wool by Nino Danieli.

"Isn't this hot?" for an oversized, double-breasted Verri suit in herringbone weave of navy and plum.

"That's incredible" for a baseball-style jacket of distressed leather in deep forest green with

colored aviator patches by LaMatta.

"Classy" is the paisley? print tie of woven jacquard silk in brown and olive tones by Kenzo.

It's fantasy shopping at The Broadway in Birmingham, an upscale men's shop that carries the Hyman brother's favorites. Together with shop manager Tony Fichera, they are putting together two ensembles each for a photo shoot.

"THIS IS THE trouble when we come in here. Gotta go shopping. Guess it's the same problem for everyone," the brothers said.

"I'd go a brown belt with that," Mark said, eyeing a Studio .0001 by suit of fine houndstooth check.

Jeff countered. "What if the tie's dark. You'd want to go as dark as the tie."

"Yeah," Mark agreed, "but the belt usually goes with the shoes."

"See the tie, judge the belt," Jeff concluded.

At 26 years, 6-foot-3 and 175 pounds each, the Hyman twins are into professional modeling "for what it's worth."

"We're not in our prime yet," Mark said with Jeff adding, "Yeah, no gray hair. No wrinkles."

That, they say, is the "kind of guy who buys these clothes."



For a double-breasted coat and slacks, Jeff chose a tie of woven jacquard silk in brown and olive tones by Kenzo.



Mark picked a brown belt and floral print tie with a Studio .0001 by Ferré suit of fine houndstooth check.



For a casual coverup, Jeff favors a baseball-style jacket of distressed leather in deep forest green with colored aviator patches by LaMatta.



Hot is the description for Mark's double-breasted suit in a herringbone weave of navy and plum.

Writer is highly organized, not afraid of hard work

Dear Lorene Green,

Each week I look forward to reading your column. I find graphology fascinating! As a child and teenager, I spent a great deal of time practicing my handwriting. I get a lot of compliments — and complaints! I must be the slowest writer in the world. I intensely dislike writing on unlined paper.

On committees, I'm often asked to keep minutes because my notes are legible, methodical and concise.

I'm extremely interested as to any insights you can give me.

D.M.,
Rochester



graphology

Lorene Green

motion to implement the planning. Once completed you dislike having your plans disrupted. Details are handled with as much care as the more important aspects.

Stunning discipline can be seen here. You are not afraid of hard work. Regardless of how you may be feeling, you "hang in" until the job is done. Authority figures are respected. In repetitive tasks, your pace and efficiency increase. Personal standards border on perfectionism.

You are conscientious and manage your time well. Punctual, you do not keep others waiting and probably dislike having to wait for others.

You live by the time-worn cliché, "A place for every and everything in its place." You cannot rest until all is in order. Have you considered this compulsive neatness may be programming you out of some of the joys that come with flexibility?

Your pattern of thinking is logical, slow and methodical. Once in possession of new material, you are able to retain it for a long time. This suggests a retentive memory which is useful in eliminating the time consuming need to search out the information again.

You restrict your intake of abstract concepts. Have you consid-

ered that you could be limiting your creativity, growth and adventure by being unresponsive to new ideas and/or theories. Seemingly, you live in a rather small world. Sometimes the fear of failure keeps you from trying new things. A need for approval and attention is strong.

There is a certain reserve and lack of spontaneity about you. You need time to test the waters before jumping in. Past experiences have taught you not to show your feelings too freely nor be too open in your responses.

You are a sensitive young lady. Some timorousness here may be the result of having been under the influence of someone with a stronger personality than you own. I think you have also lived with a rather strict code of what is right and what is wrong.

A preoccupation with personal security is suggested in this handwriting.

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Presently, you appear to be concerned with something about the future. I cannot ascertain just what it might be, but you probably know.

Friction can be unsettling to you so you try to avoid it whenever possible. You also appear to be trying to please others and do what they expect from you as opposed to what you personally wish to do.

People who prefer writing on lined paper usually need guidance in their life. They tend to be followers as opposed to leaders. An eye for aesthetics, structure

and form is noted here. Possibly, this was the spur to your early interest in practicing and developing a handwriting style which was pleasing to you.

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

singles connection

VOYAGERS

Voyagers Singles, a group for those 45 and older, will meet 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 28, at St. Paul Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, Livonia. A "White Elephant Card Party" will be the program. People should bring a white elephant gift in a paper bag not sealed. The meeting is open to the public. For information, call 591-1350.

WESTSIDE

Westside Singles will have dance 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. Friday, Dec. 28, at Roma's of Livonia, Schoolcraft Service Drive, west of Inkster Road. Dressy attire is required. For information, call the hot line at 562-3160.

TRI-COUNTRY

Tri-Country Singles will have a dance 8 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 29, at the Airport Hilton, I-94 and Merriman Road, Romulus. Admission is \$4 (\$2 for women). For information, call the hot line at 842-7422.

WESTSIDE SATURDAY

Saturday Night Singles will have a dance Saturday, Dec. 29, at Roma's of Garden City, Cherry Hill Road, east of Venoy Road. Dressy attire is required. Admission is \$4. For information, call the hotline 277-4242.

TRI-COUNTRY NEW YEAR'S

Tri-County Singles will have a New Year's Eve dance 8 p.m. to 2:30 a.m. Monday, Dec. 31, at the Airport Hilton, I-94 and Merriman Road, Romulus. Admission is \$8. For information, call 842-7422.

BALLROOM DANCE

A beginner's dance class is offered by Redford Parks and Recreation for 10 weeks. The class starts 7-8:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 7, at Jane Adams Elementary Schools. For information, call 471-4168.

WEDNESDAY DANCE

Wednesday Suburban Singles will have a dance 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Wednesdays at Bonnie Brook Country Club, Telegraph and Eight Mile roads. Admission is \$3. For information, call 842-0443.

MIXED BOWLING

Voyagers Singles is looking for people 30 and older and single for its mixed singles bowling league. The league bowls 2:30 p.m. Sundays at Merri-Bowl Lanes, Five Mile and Merriman, Livonia. For information, call 591-1350.

CHERRY HILL SINGLES

Cherry Hill Singles have moved their Wednesday suppers to Big Boy's Banquet Room, Ford Road, west of Southfield. The meetings are 6-7:30 p.m.

SINGLE POINT

Single Point Ministries of Ward Presbyterian Church presents BYOS, an evening of recreation with tennis, volleyball, wallyball, swimming and basketball for single adults 30 and older. The program will take place 8 p.m. to midnight the second and fourth Saturdays of the month at the Livonia Family YMCA, Stark Road. Children can attend for \$1 each. Tickets for adults are \$5 a person.

Single Point Ministries also meets at 10:45 a.m. Sundays at Ward Church, 17000 Farmington Road, at the corner of Six Mile, Livonia. Single Point Ministries is for single adults 30 and older. For information, call 422-1854.

The Never Married auxiliary of Single Point Ministries meets the third Tuesday of each month at the church. For information, call 422-1854.

PARENTS WITHOUT PARTNERS

New Life, in cooperation with Parents Without Partners International Inc., meets 8 p.m. every second and fourth Friday of the month at the Wayne AmVets, 1217 S. Merriman (between Cherry Hill and Palmer). For more information, call 675-6313.

The Wayne/Westland Chapter of Parents Without Partners, a single parent support group, meets 8 p.m. the second and fourth Friday of each month at AmVets Post 171, on Merriman, Cherry Hill east of Venoy. There will be a speaker at 8:30 p.m., followed by a dance at 9:30 p.m. For information, call 421-7075.

Holidays, eating disorders don't mix

By Rebecca Haynes
staff writer

THE HOLIDAYS are a time for family. They're a time for seeing friends, a time for making memories... a time for eating.

While many of us are worried about the few extra pounds we may add to stomach or thighs while gorging on cookies, cakes and other holiday favorites, there are those who actually shut themselves off from any holiday celebrations. These are people with eating disorders.

"The holidays can wreak havoc on a person with anorexia or bulimia," said Bloomfield Hills psychologist Marcy Trice, who works almost exclusively with clients afflicted with these disorders. "In our society it's almost a *faux pas* not to overeat, to let grandma know she did a good job."

Even when we're not eating we're often talking about food, she said.

"The eating disordered person gets intimidated just hearing about food," Trice said. "They take it personally even if there was no connection meant toward them."

Often they're so frightened about being in the situation that they withdraw totally, refusing to attend family gatherings. Others will come late, after the main meal has already been eaten, and others may get into arguments at the dinner table and leave before finishing.

TRICE SAID she does a lot of rehearsal with her clients, helping them explore behavioral options if they are aware of the holiday or family situations they'll be exposed to.

"If the person has a confidante, they can use that person to help run interference for them," she said. "That person can speak up and say, 'Hey, we're not going to talk about food this year, let's talk about something else,' and that can ease a lot of discomfort."

And if a client knows she's going to share a meal with her boyfriend's parents she has a lot of power to control the situation.

"These people (with eating disorders) are always worried about how they're going to come

off," she said. "If I can talk with them about who they'll be with and what they're like that's half the battle."

For instance her client may know her boyfriend's mother loves perfumes and his father is totally involved in his career.

"If you know this you can take control of the conversation," she said. "You can ask his mother about perfumes and what types of new and interesting scents she's found and you can ask his father about the projects he's working on."

"THIS NOT only puts the other person at ease, it gives the person I'm working with the control they need and helps build their self-esteem," she said.

Giving the person with an eating disorder this confidence may help them get through meal times, their major concern.

And if anyone who is either insensitive or unaware of the eating disorder asks the person about their weight, they should be prepared with glib comebacks, like "It's none of your business," or "I haven't checked my scales lately," Trice said.

Never ask a person if they want seconds if you know they have an eating disorder, she said. Instead, let them fill their own plates and eat the amount of food with which they're comfortable.

Karen Shaw, 22, is a recovered anorexic. She's been through two years of therapy and went through the outpatient program at Beaumont Hospital's eating disorders center and says she feels she's totally kicked her problem for the last six months.

SHE AGREED that the holidays were definitely a more difficult time for her.

"I was always worrying about doing things with my family," she said. "I was such a fanatic about exercising that I would be out walking on Christmas Eve instead of spending time with them."

And she found herself wanting to weigh the food from the Thanksgiving dinner before she ate it, but said since she couldn't get away with doing this in front of all of her relatives she ate almost nothing instead.

"I have no memories of the holidays (during her bout with anorexia)," Shaw said. "I could not

concentrate on being with my family.

"I had to pass up pies, cookies, all that stuff, and make excuses," she said. "I was so withdrawn into myself I couldn't enjoy anybody's company."

Even after dropping 75 pounds, the five-foot, three-inch Shaw weighed just 90 pounds at her smallest, she still thought she was fat. She exercised several hours each day and counted every calorie.

Ironically, she recently graduated from the culinary arts program at Oakland University and is employed as a chef.

Margaret Bagley of Livonia has seen the problem from the other side. Her daughter, 23, was diagnosed with anorexia a year ago and the family is struggling to help her overcome this disorder.

"SHE'S BEEN in the hospital four times," Bagley said. "But if there was any other illness you still try and carry on family traditions and you have to do the same with this."

"It's they who have to change, not you," she said. "You can cushion them and give them an escape, but they have to want to do it."

Bagley said she tries to be practical and sensitive, encouraging her daughter to be with the family as much as possible for holiday activities but not putting any unneeded pressure on her.

"It's basically trying to keep them calm and trying to help them deal with reality," she said. "They put themselves through so much more stress than they have to. They really beat themselves down."

During the holidays especially Bagley said she sometimes feels like she's torn in two.

"The bottom line is we have to go on as a family," she said, adding they are doing their best to make sure the rest of the family is able to participate in all of their annual traditions.

Trice pointed out that the one good thing about eating disorders as compared to other obsessive behaviors such as alcoholism or drug abuse, is that you can see how someone is recovering.

"Food is something you need to survive, not like drugs or alcohol," she said. "You can see how someone is recovering just by how they deal with food."

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A brother gives brother chance for more of life

By Suo Mason
staff writer

Last winter Joe Komos told his brother Don not to worry; he wouldn't let him "go down the tubes."

The 34-year-old Livonia resident held true to his promise. On Nov. 28, he gave his 37-year-old brother the gift of life during a kidney transplant operation at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit.

"I'm so glad I did it," he said. "I can't believe I thought of not doing it for my brother."

Don, also a Livonia resident, was 18 when, during a routine physical, albumin was discovered in his urine. He was referred to an urologist at the University of Michigan Hospital who diagnosed him as having a progressive kidney disorder.

The disease progressed slowly, but in February, after toxins began building up in his blood, Don was placed on Continuous Ambulatory Peritoneal Dialysis, an in-home, self-administered dialysis. He also was placed on the Kidney List, a list of patients in need of donor kidneys. The wait for a suitable kidney can be six months to two years in duration.

But the almost four months he was on CAPD was a "nightmare" for Don. Four times doctors inserted the catheter needed for the process and he was hospitalized eight times because of infections related to the catheter.

"I can't begin to tell you what a nightmare it was," his wife Linda said. "His system wouldn't accept it but, thank God, there was an alternative."

Don was placed on hemodialysis in May and the change was dramatic. After the hospital-administered blood cleansing, he was able to ride a bicycle seven miles a day.

AS PART OF the process of finding a kidney for Don, family members were tested and Joe came with a flood match. Test after test was done as Joe mulled over the thought of giving a kidney to his brother.

"I had to look at the aftereffects," he said. "I'm a single guy and I want to get married and have kids."

Joe spoke with the hospital psychiatrist, asked a lot of questions and talked with his employer to see what it would do. Joe finally said what Don had hoped for: "OK, let's set a date."

"The pluses outweighed the minuses," Joe said.

Don took it one test at a time, one day at a time, waiting for his brother's decision.

"I didn't pressure him, but I figured actions speak louder than words," he said. "I had prepared in my mind that if he gives me a kidney, I will love him and if he doesn't, I'll still love him. I was determined either way to continue on with life."

For Joe, the decision may have been the easiest part of it. The scope of what was to be done didn't settle in until the "doctors swarmed around me and I saw the lights when I was rolled into the operating room."

THE BROTHERS shared a room the night before the surgery and watched the Detroit Red Wings on TV. Joe recalls Mickey Redman



JIM JAGDFELD/staff photographer

Don Komos, 37, shares more than the same parents with his brother Joe, 34. The latter gave the former the gift of life during a recent kidney transplant operation.

wishing them well.

Preparation for the surgery began at 5 a.m. when Joe showered with a special solvent. The Komos family arrived at 6:30 a.m. to chat with the twosome before Joe hopped on a gurney and was wheeled to the operating room.

Joe was returned to his room that afternoon with a 10-inch incision on his right side and "tubes going in all over the place." The first time he got up, it "felt like I'd stepped on a land mine," he said.

Don was in surgery for four hours and, much to the pleasure of the

transplant team, the new kidney began functioning immediately. A month later, he admits he still feels overwhelmed when he thinks about what happened.

"It humbles you and slows down the speed of life," he said. "It's made life more real."

Don is one leave from the IRS — he worked in the data center in downtown Detroit. His wife works for the U.S. Postal Service. While the couple has been through some difficult financial times, they are ready to get on with their lives.

Married for four years, they are

looking forward to having a family and taking a vacation together to Kiawah Island, S.C., where her parents live. They haven't been able to travel together since their honeymoon four years ago.

"DON HAS BEEN really unbelievable through the whole thing," Linda said. "I'm proud of him. He had a lot of faith. A lot of close friends and relatives said prayers and those helped him have a lot of peace and contentment."

Joe is happy for his brother. It may be another month before he returns to work and he's already out

walking to build up his strength.

"If anything, I think I'm a much better person now," he said. "I seem to be inspired. Maybe it was one of my callings in life. I tried to figure out why I was on this earth and not much had happened. But I guess whatever happens after this... the sky's the limit."

Don isn't certain about going back to work for the IRS. He's considering going back to school and possibly studying for a medical related job.

"My milestone is to try and exceed one year," Don said. "I'm on loan from God."

clubs in action

Clubs in Action appears on Thursdays. Deadline for items is noon the previous Friday.

● SUBSTANCE ABUSE SUPPORT

New Beginnings, a non-denominational, non-profit support group, meets 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays at Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. The group is designed for anyone with a substance abuse problem. For information, call 728-2302 or 464-0035.

● TRAINING IN COMMUNICATION

The ITC (International Training in Communication) will meet 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 3, at the Dearborn Civic Center, 15801 Michigan Avenue, Dearborn. Leadership training is ITC's theme tonight. The meeting is open to the public. For information, call 563-0361.

● XI ZETA

The regular meeting of Xi Zeta chapter of Beta Sigma Phi will take place 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 3, at the home of Ina Rettig, 8173 Donna, Westland. A program on happiness will be presented by Ina Rettig.

● SUBURBAN BPW

The Suburban West Chapter of Business and Professional Women will meet 6 p.m. Monday, Jan. 7, at the Holiday Inn West, 17123 Laurel Park Drive, north side of Six Mile Road, east of I-275. Networking will begin at 6 p.m. with a business meeting and dinner to follow. Cost for the dinner is \$11. Reservations are requested. For information, call 458-0202.

● FITNESS CLASS

The Livonia Family YMCA will be conducting "Get Back into Shape" fitness classes starting the week of Jan. 14. Day and night classes are both available. Non-members of the YMCA can attend classes. For information, call 261-2161.

● LAMAZE

Lamaze Childbirth Education Association of Livonia offers a six-week class for new parents. They have a choice of a two or four week class for refreshers and a monthly breast-feeding class. Weekday classes are 7-9:30 p.m. Saturday classes are 9-11:30 p.m.

Classes offer information about pregnancy, labor and delivery. Classes are in Livonia, Garden City, Redford and Novi. For information, call 937-0665.

● OVEREATERS

Overeaters Anonymous meets 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays at St. John Episcopal Church in Westland. For information, call 722-6178 or 545-LIFE. The group also meets 7:30 p.m. Thursdays at Unity Church, Inkster Road and Michigan Avenue, Inkster. For information, call 277-2112.

● RELATIVES INC.

Relatives Inc. meets 8 p.m. Mon-

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● WHY WEIGHT

Why Weight, a non-profit support group for adults who are in the process of losing or maintaining their weight, meets 7 p.m. Mondays in Classroom 3 of Garden City Osteopathic Hospital, Inkster Road north of Ford Road, Garden City. Why Weight doesn't endorse any particular diet. Weight is recorded weekly and kept confidential. For more information, call 721-6624 or 425-3922.

● FIRST STEP

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● S.U.R.F.F.

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● BREAST CANCER

St. Mary Hospital will have a breast and skin clinic 4-6 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 9 and 23, at the hospital, 36475 W. Five Mile Road, Livonia. A physician will perform a complete breast exam and provide instruction on how to perform self-examinations. If desired, a mammogram will be done. Cost of the physical is \$10; the mammogram is usually covered by insurance. For information or to register, call 464-4800, Ext. 2433.

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Dr. Milton Mutchnik is the project director and principal investigator. For more information, call Emily Smith at 745-7521.

● ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUPS

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

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● LARYNGECTOMY SUPPORT

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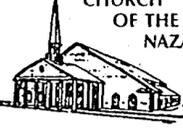
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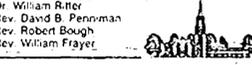
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 Pastor Holmberg

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Building bridges

He works to increase understanding of other faiths

By Loraino McClellan
staff writer

Arnold Michlin has made a commitment to ecumenism. It's been a lifelong labor of love for him to see barriers break down between those of different religions and cultures. He applauds every bit of progress he sees or hears about as ignorance is erased through understanding.

Sometimes he calls bringing the Christian, the Jew, the Muslim and, most recently, the black together as "my calling." Sometimes he calls it "building bridges."

The Farmington Hills resident inherited that calling of building bridges when his grandfather, a Jew from Russia, was befriended and learned the ways of America from a Dutch Christian in Indiana. Not too long after that, the Dutchman accepted Michlin's grand uncle into his home and did the same thing for him.

But when it was time for his grandmother to come to the United States she balked at having anything to do with a Christian.

"She was afraid the family's religion would be diluted, or the entire family was going to fall apart, or they would all be converted to Christianity," Michlin said. "It was a very real fear for her. She believed all Christians were bad and nothing good could come out of that situation."

"Yet, that man who lived about 100 years ago in Hudson, Ind., was what I have come to believe is the supreme example of what people ought to be — a man who liked people for themselves."

MICHLIN BELONGS to many organizations and uses his knowledge of history and religion to spread the ecumenical word through many of them.

He said, for example, that he has kept the job of program chairman over the years for Congregation Shaarey Zedek's Men's Club "to keep the membership enlightened on these matters."

He was instrumental in changing the name of the Detroit chapter of the National Conference of Christians and Jews to "The Muslim, Jewish and Christian Trialog Round Table." It is the only chapter of the conference that has included Muslims.

"It was right that we be the first to do this because we have 250,000 Arabs here, one of the largest communities in the U.S.," he said. "And a Muslim is now the head of our interfaith round table. I consider that great progress."

"So many times if a Christian and Jew and Muslim did get together they would talk about baseball, politics, the weather, anything but religion. Here (at the round table) we do talk about religion and what we accomplish is exposing each other's prejudices."

He has been a member of B'nai B'rith for more than 40 years. He is an ardent worker on the Detroit Action Committee for Soviet Jews.

He was the first to arrange for a visiting archbishop to be welcomed by the Jewish community here.

And he arranged for the first Christian to ever speak from a Jewish pulpit — at least in the northwest suburbs.

He serves on the board of The Ecumenical Institute for Jewish-Christian Studies, a position he calls "one of the most important things I do."

But what he is most proud of now is the success of a group he initiated called American Arabic and Jewish Friends.

"We make no attempts to solve the problems in the Mideast," he said. "There are enough problems right here to be solved."

MICHLIN WON the Heart of Gold Award a few years ago for his work in ecumenism, notably for the friendships that have been made among the Arabs and Jews in the Detroit area through the group he founded. And as pleased as he is about that, he said there is still a long way to go.

"About two years ago I started the Black-Jewish Dialogues. I was hesitant about this because I was afraid I

was going to be spreading myself too thin. But it was something that had to be done and the time was right," he said.

The next on his things-to-be-done list is a class for Jews who will be taught about Christianity by rabbis.

"The Christians are way ahead on this one," he said. "The Christians have attended model Seders and have been learning about our Festival of Lights for at least the past 30 years."

"The new classes (to be given in Midrisha, a branch of United Hebrew School) will be sponsored by B'nai B'rith and are the first of their kind in Detroit."

MICHLIN IS one of a kind. For all the work he's done in the area of ecumenism if he has a counterpart in the world — one who gives as much time and energy to the subject as he does — he is not aware of it.

When The Ecumenical Institute for Jewish-Christian Studies opened in Southfield about eight years ago, it was almost a given that Michlin would become involved.

Of that he said: "I know (the Rev.) Jim Lyons doesn't have a counterpart. He is utterly unique. He is the only full-time minister in the country that heads up an ecumenical institute."

"He is known internationally, but our work is very local. You do whatever you can do right where you are."

The reality of combat is anything but a game

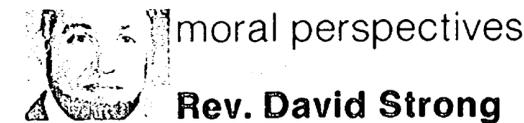
Last week, the American general who is second in command in the Middle East, Calvin Walker, compared his plans for a war in the gulf to strategy in a giant football game. He said that preparing for war is like getting ready for the Super Bowl.

The world has changed. But our male leaders still think of war as a game. They, unfortunately, have not changed. For too many males in our society, sports, hunting and war are similar pursuits. In all three you can set strategy and go for a win/kill. Men look up to those among us who can make the successful win/kill. Really successful generals are rewarded with the presidency. War is still a male sport.

When will we learn? War is not a game. It is obscene to compare it with a game. No longer is war something that will end. War is more like a sickness. It is an epidemic. It breaks out, spreads, infects, and then the effects go on and on for generations.

AS TIME goes by, this fact is more evident. War must be turned into a political process and a peaceful solution must be found. Old problems must be addressed. How different this is from the Super Bowl!

If there is a war in the Middle East, the world will not recover for 100 years. The Arab-Israeli conflict will intensify. The destruction of Middle Eastern religion, culture and societies will be enormous. Will these people forget? One major goal of Iraq is to polarize Arabs against westerners. All the Arabs of this



Moral perspectives
Rev. David Strong

world will be forced to turn against America, Europe and Israel.

What would a war in this area do to religious tolerance? The world is getting smaller. A newly dawning desire for religious understanding will be set back 100 years.

Indeed, a war in the Middle East will become a holy war. Holy wars prevent peace on earth. Such is the truth.

To liken war to a football game is a moral obscenity. It is a little like saying that rape is a game. Unfortunately, the war is a game image was hallowed by people in the past. The Kennedys projected this image that sports prepares men to win in business and in war. Sports is considered clean, American male play. The image of the Kennedys was that of the weekend football player.

I have talked with servicemen who have flown in the Middle East to deliver war materials. They flew there on the weekend and were back at their jobs on Monday morning. To some, Vietnam was just another game to be won by the best team. How wrong we were.

FOR TOO MANY the image confusion of war and a clean, sports game will not die. It is obviously a

part of the military mind witnessed by Calvin Walker's statement.

Who will stand up and say that war is immoral? Who will point out that wars never end? Who will talk to us in terms of human lives and dreams rather than oil, military bases, paying the enemy back? Who will say that God does not want us to kill? Who will tell us what it costs to turn our young men into killers?

For every "right" that an American president or a general can state, the other side has a right or grievance in reply. There is brutality and repressive power in every part of the world. Is America convinced this is a holy war?

The sports analogy is distasteful. It reduces death, horror, the clash of great cultures to a game. The implication is that we can win the bowl game and come home as victors. There will be no happy homecoming. There will be no welcome of the hero players. There will be no satisfaction that we played well and won the prize. Stop and think, America. Stop and pray, you who are a follower of the God of all peoples.

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



Watch Night

The Downings, recording artists from Nashville, Tenn., will perform during a "Watch Night Service" beginning 9 p.m. New Year's Eve, Monday, Dec. 31, at Tri-City Assembly

of God Church. The group includes Brian Wieneke, Joyce Halbert, Paul and Ann Downing. The church is at 2100 Hannan, north of Michigan Avenue in Canton.

church bulletin

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

Early deadlines will apply for holiday editions. Material for the Thursday, Jan. 3, edition must be received by noon Friday, Dec. 28.

● CARING EVANGELISM
St. Matthew United Methodist

Church in Livonia will offer a course, "Caring Evangelism: How to Live and Share Christ's Love." The course helps Christians grow in their faith and confidently share Christ in response to the requests and needs of others.

Class sessions will include a combination of lecture, small group discussion, discovery learning and skill practice. The course takes place 7-9:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Jan. 9, 16 and 30, and Feb. 6-27, and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 9. Registration fee is \$20. Deadline to register is Wednesday, Jan. 2. St. Matthew Church is at 30900 Six Mile, Livonia. For information, call 522-4856, 421-5684 or 473-0399.

Community Chorus performed recently at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Farmington Hills. The show featured guest soloist Betye Stines, a contralto. Stines, an accomplished soloist, has earned her place in the musical arts world with applause from such conductors as Dr. Hugh Ross of the Schola Cantorum in New York and Dr. Paul Katz, conductor of the Dayton Philharmonic Orchestra.

● TRINITY CHURCH
Historic Trinity Lutheran Church will have a New Year's Eve service 8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 31. There will be a special 7 p.m. communion service. The church is at 1345 Gratiot, Detroit. For information, call 567-3100.

● WARD CHURCH
Johnny Hall, Dove Award nominee, will perform at the "Watch Night Service" 10:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 31, at Ward Presbyterian Church, 17000 Farmington, near Six Mile, Livonia. Hall's concert will be followed by a worship service. For information, call 422-1150.

● NEW YEAR'S PARTY
Sacred Heart Activities Center, 29125 W. Six Mile, one block east of Middlebelt, Livonia, will have a New Year's Eve party Monday, Dec. 31. Cocktails will be served 7 p.m., dinner 8 p.m. Live entertainment will include The Together Band. Price is \$30 per person. Proceeds benefit the building fund. For information, call 261-8560.

● KEN LEE
Ken Lee will be the guest 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 30, at Tri-City Assembly of God Church, 2100 Hannan, north of Michigan Avenue in Canton. Lee travels thousands of miles each year to present his special characterizations. For information, call the church office, 326-0330.

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

● WOMEN OF THE WORD
Women of the Word, a women's Bible study group, will meet 9:15-11:15 a.m. Tuesdays at Detroit First Church of the Nazarene, 21260 Haggerty, off I-275 and north of Eight Mile, Farmington Hills.

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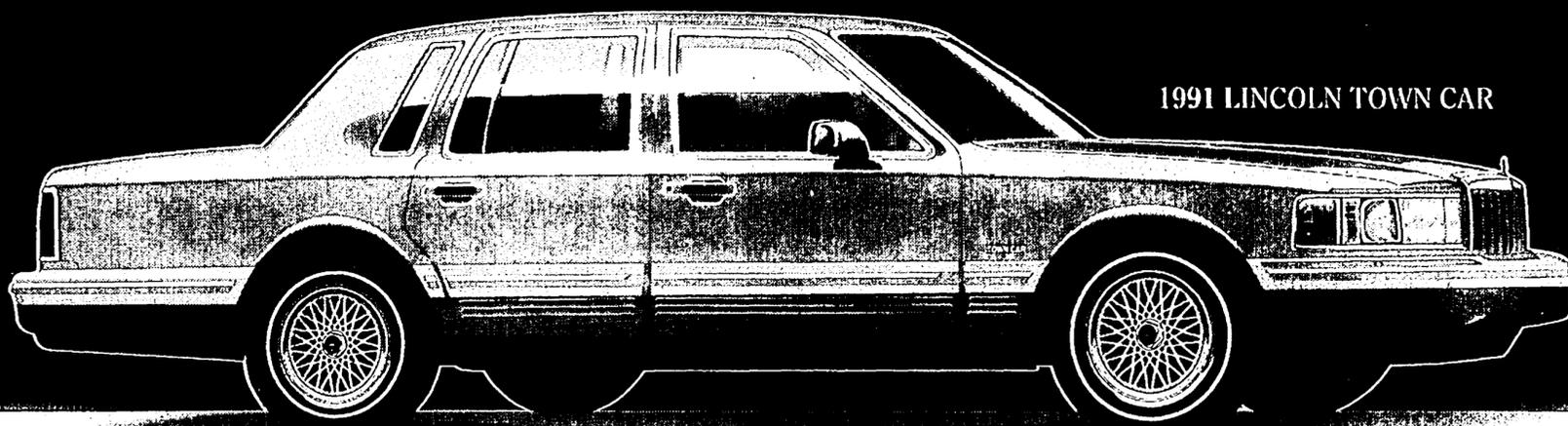
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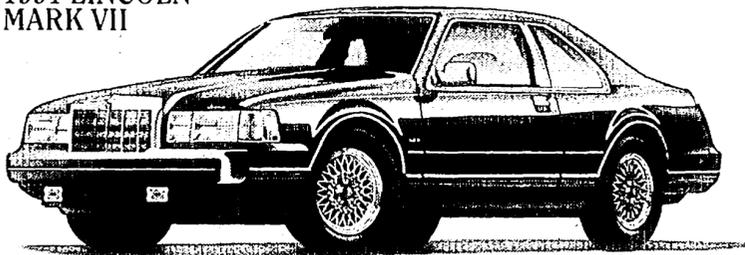
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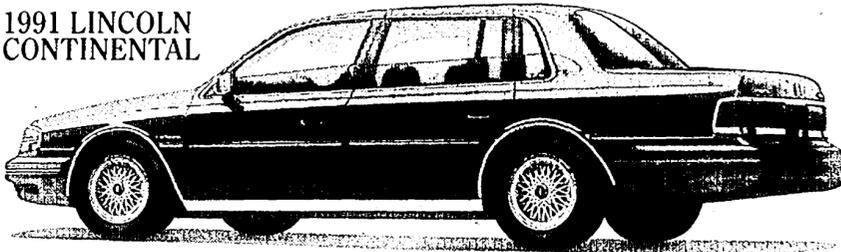
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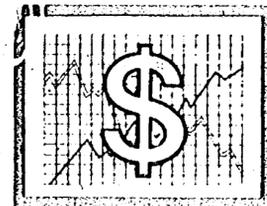
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Auto show spawns more than vehicle sales

Related services pay off

By Doug Funke
staff writer

Car and truck dealers harvest sales from exhibitions like the North American Auto Show. Most families that attend buy a vehicle within a year, said Daniel Hayes, executive director of the Detroit Auto Dealers Association.

But hundreds of models, singers, dancers and musicians, local talent for the most part, can expect a more immediate payoff and a pretty good one during the run of the show Jan. 12-20 in downtown Detroit.

They'll work as narrators and floor people at exhibits. They'll greet dignitaries at the airport, assist in the press room and sell tickets at Cobo. They'll entertain at parties and breakfasts.

And in the end, they will earn \$2-3 million for their aggregate efforts, said Tim Rice, general manager for Gall & Rice Productions of Troy. "There are a lot of people working down there," he said.

"Manufacturers prefer not to be used by name. We'll have at least 115 people, male narrators, female narrators, spokespersons," Rice said. "They're pre-

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Wendy Kulczycki of Farmington Hills (second from left), a dancer for Chevrolet, uses the auto shows as a way to earn money while a full-time student majoring in marketing.

Work is fun but tough

By Doug Funke
staff writer

The money is good and so is the travel. But narrators and entertainers who do the auto show circuit apparently don't plan to make a career of that kind of work.

Wendy Kulczycki, a dancer for Chevrolet, is a full-time student majoring in marketing. Jamie Lynn Kolodziej, a narrator for Hyundai, is a part-time student majoring in broadcast communications. Cynthia Guenther, a narrator for Ford, owns a modeling/talent agency.

"It's a very good job," said Kulczycki, 21, a Farmington Hills resident. "I get a lot of experience from traveling. It pays very well."

This is Kulczycki's third year on the circuit. She took dance lessons for 12 years, first at the insistence of her mother, then because she found them enjoyable. She's also taught dance.

Kulczycki generally dances a five-minute number once an hour eight times a day.

"I STUDY on the road constantly," she said. "It's been diffi-

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Thrift bucks S&L mess with charter conversion

By Gerald Frawley
staff writer

Taxpayer bailouts, federal regulator crackdowns, forms in triplicate — let's face it, being a savings and loan today is not what it used to be.

Even in Michigan, where the industry is relatively healthy, having the word thrift associated with a financial institution is like leprosy.

It's bad for business, it's bad for public relations and it's bad for morale.

Which is why Franklin Savings Bank, a savings and loan founded with branches in Birmingham, Southfield and Grosse Pointe Woods, has taken steps to convert to a federally chartered bank, said Franklin Savings Bank vice president of corporate communications Rebecca J. Christian.

Franklin Savings received approval from the office of the Comptroller of Currency — the federal agency that regulates banks — and the Office of Thrift Supervisions — the agency that supervises savings and loans — to convert to a bank Dec. 17.

Franklin Savings is the first thrift in the Midwest and only the second in the nation to receive conversion approval. Bulton Gwinnett Savings Bank in Norcross, Ga., was the first.

"The main reason is banks are allowed to be more diversified in loans and investments," Christian said. That is doubly true now that federal regulators are cracking down on thrifts.

JUST AS AN example, new regulations requires 70 percent of a thrift's portfolio be made up of residential loans, she said. "Currently, 52 to 55 percent of Franklin Savings loans are commercial."

The other main reason, Christian said, is public perception. Despite the relative health of Michigan thrifts, many people feel banks are more stable.

"When all is said and done and the smoke clears, people will want banks," she said. "Whether the perception (of thrift instability) is real or not we want (the sense of stability) for our stockholders and customers."

Ironically, Franklin Savings Bank promoted itself as a product of deregulation after incorporating in 1983. At the time, Christian said, deregulated thrifts offered great opportunities.

Dean DeBuck, a spokesman for the Office of the Comptroller of Currency, said Franklin Savings applied for conversion in September 1989 soon after the passage of the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act (FIRREA) of 1988. "It was the first to do so; it's the second thrift to receive approval."

Only 10 thrifts have applied for conversion thus far, DeBuck said.

It is not unreasonable to expect other thrifts will soon follow suit and apply for conversion, DeBuck said, adding future applications should be processed more quickly. "This was new for us — before a thrift can convert to a bank there needed to be new procedures (established)."

ANOTHER REASON for the delay, DeBuck said, is the Office of Thrift Supervision questioned the legality of direct conversions. The Office of the Comptroller of Currency was prepared to grant approval in early 1990, but since two supervisory agencies are involved, both

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must agree to a conversion.

Christian said Franklin Savings will continue as a thrift because it must meet conditions set by the Office of the Comptroller of Currency before the conversion is complete, Christian said, adding the transition should take between six and 12 months," she said.

To come into compliance, Franklin will need to increase its risk and core capital to ensure adequate capital and liquidity to deal with situations as they arise.

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Change seen benefiting all

By Gerald Frawley
staff writer

Franklin Savings Bank's decision to convert from a savings and loan to a bank should benefit everyone involved, from the smallest depositor to the largest stockholder.

"I can't think of any reason not to (convert from a savings and loan to a bank)," said Franklin Savings Bank vice president of corporate communications Rebecca Christian.

Since the passage of the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1978, the benefits of being a savings and loan no longer exist, Christian said. "Financial institutions might as well become banks to benefit from the advantages such a move offers."

Stockholders will benefit from an appreciation of stock value, she said. "Because banks will be able to make more diversified investments, and because of the public perception that banks are more stable, a bank stock will be more attractive than a thrift stock."

It therefore stands to reason that Franklin Savings Bank stock will increase in value if it converts to a bank. Even if that does not occur, the regulations affecting savings and loans will not cause a bank's stock to depreciate.

DEPOSITORS STAND to benefit because — if they believe the perception that banks are more secure than thrifts — they can be confident their money is safe,

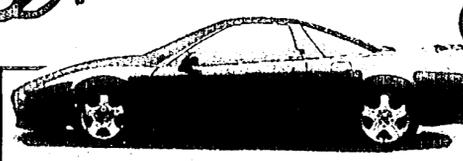
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screened before the client sees them. "We look for a nice appearance. They have to be smart enough to talk one-on-one. Anyone can learn a script. They have to have a nice personality. They can't be stuck on themselves," he said.

Narrators can earn from \$135 to \$650 per day depending on experience, credentials and what they're asked to do, Rice said.

But because Detroit is still considered the Vatican of the auto business, Rice said, most narrators are hired here in April to work the exhibition circuit through the following March.

"A lot of our people are carry-over from previous years, about 50 percent," Rice said.

Margery Krevsky, vice president for Productions-Plus of Birmingham, will place upwards of 70 floor product specialists and narrators for Pontiac, Buick, Nissan and Infiniti.

THE FLOOR specialists will earn upwards of \$200-300 daily, narrators \$160-250, she said.

Krevsky expects some travel from her placements. "I won't consider a person who will do just one week," she said. "It's expensive to train talent."

Cynthia Guenther, president of United Talent Agency of Detroit and Dearborn, helped the Detroit Auto Dealers Association select some 80 women to help with public relations

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— GMC Truck manager Jim Wagner

tasks relating to the show.

"They will do credentialing. Many women will greet dignitaries from Paris, Tokyo, many women will sell tickets," she said.

Those jobs, which pay \$7-10 per hour, often are used as stepping stones to narrator and product specialist jobs, Guenther said.

Guenther also placed about 20 in exhibits with Buick, Hyundai, Ford and Pontiac.

THEN THERE are opportunities for local talent with ambitions other than mouthpieces for manufacturers.

"We're doing all the domestic manufacturers parties, 15, easy," Rice said. Most will be afterglows following the charity preview Jan. 11, and the fare varies.

"One party has a 22-piece big band, another a trio," he said. A large orchestra could command

about \$3,000 for three hours work; a piano player \$135-250, Rice said.

Chrysler will feature a five-piece jazz band for its party, said Peter Brown, shows and exhibit specialist for Chrysler. "I told the agency in this particular case what I wanted — a nice piano, bass, drums playing mellow, light music for the 45-65-year-old group," he said.

Entertainment Connection of Southfield has booked a trio for a dealership party and Doug Jacobs and the Red Garter Band for a breakfast, said Karen Hall, a sales agent.

"ONCE WE find the location and type of atmosphere, we'll suggest a certain type of music," she said. "It all depends on what the client is trying to do."

Some exhibitors hire entertainment to supplement the narrators.

"We've got eight dancers for Chevrolet, the Chevy Thunder Dancers, and eight dancers for Toyota, Team Toyota Dancers," Rice said. They can expect to make \$150-250 per day and hit the road for other big domestic shows.

"It's pretty tough to get a job," Rice said of the dancers. "We looked at 160, the client looked at 80."

National talent sometimes supplements local entertainers.

GMC Truck has hired a group from the Up with People troupe, while Chevrolet has engaged Mike Sweet, a comedian/magician and former Detroit, and The Piano Juggler, both from Los Angeles.

"WE HAVE entertainment for one reason only — to attract an audience," said Jim Wagner, manager of shows and exhibits for GMC Truck. "It (auto show) is a family affair. You have one third who come there basically to be entertained, another one third are interested in concept cars and the other third are true buyers," he said.

But there's another school of thought. Chrysler, not wanting singers or dancers to detract from the vehicles, complements narrators and floor people with simulators and in exhibits.

"We feel to a certain extent it gets people more hands on, involved in products," said Donald Schmid, display and exhibits manager for Chrysler. "They get into vehicles."

"The industry has become much more technical," said Barbara McIntosh, owner of Affiliated Models of Troy. Her agency will supply 70 narrators and floor people for the Detroit show and another 60 for four

other auto shows around the country at the same time.

"Schlick has gone to a technical level," McIntosh said. "It's more to inform the public than just entertain."

Auto show work is fun but tough

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cult, but I've been doing it."

There's also time for fun. "We're out every morning sightseeing. At night, we go out on the town," she said.

Kulczycki, who expects to graduate from Eastern Michigan University next year, suspects this will be her last time around the circuit.

"We're usually ready to come home when a show is over. But we're ready to go, too," she said.

Kolodziej, 20, of Westland is in her second year narrating for Hyundai. "It's a stepping stone, starting off with what I want to do," she said.

The public contact work also complements schooling at Henry Ford Community College in preparing for an eventual career in broadcasting.

"It's exciting. I'm travelling all over the U.S. It is very good money. You cash your check and say, 'Isn't this great?'" Kolodziej said.

COMPETITION for jobs is tough, with 50 sometimes vying for two or three slots.

"The girls I work with, you get to be close friends," she said. "You live

with them, room with them. But I do find myself getting homesick."

Kolodziej works 5-8 hours per day and brings homework on the road.

How long will it go on? "I expect to do this until after I'm out of college and stable in my broadcasting job, a few more years, definitely," she said.

Guenther of Bloomfield Hills has been a Ford narrator for 14 years.

"I enjoy it. It's part of business I'm accustomed to," she said.

Guenther auditioned for Ford after participating in the Miss Michigan World Pageant. Now, she runs the Miss Michigan United Pageant and a talent agency.

"You're always looking for new contacts. I've been through this. I know," she said. "This (auto show work) is part of a tree. I've branched out."

Guenther has seen a few changes in how narrators are expected to approach the job over the years.

"I see a transition from glamor to professional," she said. "Women (narrators) have become more knowledgeable about the product because the public demands it."

Thrift plans change to avoid S&L mess

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Savings and loan risk and core capital requirements were much more lenient before FIRREA.

Franklin plans to meet its risk and core capital requirements by selling off some loans and raising capital through the sale of preferred and common stock, Christian said.

ANN ARBOR BANKING analyst Justin Moran said he believes Franklin is the first of what will prove to be many conversions. "I feel they're in the forefront of what we'll be seeing a lot of in the 1990s."

Moran said there is some question as to whether savings and loans as an industry can even survive the new regulations. "People in the industry seem to be coming to the consensus there is no future for the thrift industry."

"Broadly speaking, FIRREA created a new standard for thrifts for 1990 and beyond," Moran said. "It brings into question whether the savings and loan industry can even survive."

Basically, the regulations do two things, he said. First, it stipulates a thrift must have 70 percent of its loan portfolio in residential mortgages.

Many thrifts will be unable to meet this requirement without drastically changing the way they do business and selling off a significant portion of its loan portfolio, Moran said.

The second stipulation is federally chartered thrifts must maintain the same capital standards as a nationally chartered bank, he said.

"The problem is that while residential mortgages are low risk, they don't generate much of a profit," he said. "If they must keep the same capital, they will never make enough money to have a rate of return that will keep the stockholders happy." Stockholder dividends will level off and there stocks will not increase in value, he said.

FRANKLIN SAVINGS, he said, is well suited for a conversion because they are small enough to raise the necessary capital and adjust its portfolio as required by the Office of the Comptroller of Currency, but savvy enough to handle the intricacies being a pioneer demands.

Smaller thrifts will have difficulty raising enough capital to convert or will not have the wherewithal to convert, Moran said.

It's more likely that existing sav-

ings and loans will convert to state-chartered banks, rather than federally chartered banks as Franklin Savings has done, Moran said.

"The difference between state and federally chartered banks isn't very

much," he said. "It may be easier to deal with the state financial institutions bureau than the Office of the Comptroller of Currency just because of the size of the bureaucracy."

Thrift sees benefit in charter change

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Christian said.

Borrowers, Christian continued, will benefit because they will have a wider pool of competing institutions offering loans — especially when one of those competitors in an aggressive financial institution like Franklin Savings that has its eyes set on steady growth in the coming years.

"We have the capital to compete with larger banks, but are small enough to offer small bank services," she said. Institutions with reserved growth strategies would be hard pressed to build assets of more than \$400 million in the seven years Franklin has been in existence, Christian said.

And finally, employees benefit by having the burden of extensive reporting and regulations removed. "As we saw it, if we were going to

have (basically) the same requirements as banks, we ought to operate as a bank."

The move will also mean a tremendous boost in employee morale, Christian said. "That's a big part of it, too."

For more than a year now, Franklin Savings has been waiting for the Office of the Comptroller of Currency and the Office of Thrift Supervision to approve the conversion. "Not knowing the fate of that decision," she said, "has affected employee morale."

Christian said the question wasn't whether Franklin Savings would survive or not — even as a thrift, the savings and loan could have been profitable — but once the company set the course to follow, simply not knowing whether the application for conversion would be approved or not was constantly on people's minds.

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1990: It was a very odd year for auto makers

There's no question that this has been an odd year for the auto industry, what with 1990 taking stabs at one time or another at emulating 1929, 1932, 1936, 1942, and even 1893, the memorable year the Barling Brothers Merchant Bank failed in London, which created a financial panic and a run on gold that nearly ruined John Quincy Adams II, bringing home the point that even the Republicans get a little crazy at times.

Actually, 1990 was shaping up to be something of a showdown in the showrooms when it got started, what with the incredible flood of new models coming from the Japanese and even a new car from Volkswagen, of all things.

Then, things began getting a little soft economically, and we decided to face off with Iraq, and all bets were



auto talk
Dan McCosh

off.

Not that the bets were covered to begin with.

Someone decided to make 1990 a fast-forward of the whole decade of the 1970s with a strange combination of government legislation, a re-invented environmentalist movement, a credit crunch and the establishment on U.S. soil of foreign-owned car plants. All in a single

year.

That alone would have been enough to rattle a few normally stalwart auto execs, even before you tossed in the collapse of the savings and loans, the wobbling banks, and the subsequent arrest and bankruptcy of a whole generation of Wall Street high-flyers on whom lots of BMW and Mercedes dealers in the East were heavily dependent.

In fact, the one amazing thing

about 1990 is that with all the shocks, any one of which would have been sufficient to justify a serious sales collapse, the overall car market stayed remarkably strong, albeit down about 10 percent or so — nothing like the big dive in 1974.

The big stuff did, however, tend to overshadow some fairly significant events that otherwise might have gained some attention. The troubles at Subaru, for example, which demonstrate something about the question nobody seems to ask — exactly how do the Japanese react to a bad slide in the U.S., anyway? Pretty much as you would expect — by buying out their U.S. investors, then cutting back on U.S. operations to salvage some profits. Forget any paternalism or lifetime employment.

On the other hand, Honda distrib-

uted profit-sharing based on its worldwide operations, something no U.S. company has seen fit to offer its U.S. employees, which get their share based only on North American profits.

On the hardware side, 1990 goes down as the year safety began to sell seriously, with the acceptance of anti-lock brakes and something akin to a buying panic on airbags. This left the Japanese rushing to catch up. Also left behind, Saturn gets the dumb-dumb of the year award for ignoring the airbag, missing a chance to seriously one-up the competition with what was otherwise an outstanding effort.

Other odd things happened, including the fact that the second most expensive auto program launched in 1990 (after the Saturn, which techni-

cally doesn't really get started until next year after all) wasn't a car at all, but an engine program at Ford. Motor Co., launched furtively in a year-old Lincoln.

But mainly, it was a bad year for car enthusiasts, as Nissan floundered despite the strongest investment in new product in decades, winning lots of congratulations but few checks for down payments.

It was, of course, the swan song for Roger Smith, who managed to end his reign at GM as the farthest-thinking, and most shortsighted chairman in history, leaving history to decide what is most important.

Meanwhile, after a taking a good look at what is coming up in January, the auto business decided to do what we are all doing now.

Hold its breath.

It takes a pro to estimate the value of a business

When selling your business, everything you have achieved over the years must be transformed into financial terminology. And if you are like most small business owners, this aspect of the business valuation process is both confusing and frustrating. Although most would like to believe that they are capable of successfully estimating the value of their business without benefit of figures and formulas, the fact is that this process is not a job for amateurs.

After all, it's one thing to state how much you believe your business is worth; it's quite another to get it within a reasonable time frame. If



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you are serious about getting the best price for your business, these guidelines should help.

When working with a qualified and reputable business valuation expert, be sure to first know exactly what it is you are selling. It is common for an owner to go through the business

valuation process before deciding what he or she is actually willing to sell. For instance, you may have accumulated antiques, cash or have your personal automobile on the books of the company, and you may not want to include these items in the sale. Conveying a clear and

concise description of what is included for sale will lead to fewer surprises later on.

Charles Esser, partner with the Birmingham-based CPA firm of Nemes, Allen & Co., explains how the business valuation process is structured to best satisfy the needs of both seller and buyer.

"Generally speaking, everything that is significant to the business is reviewed in order to deprive an appropriate capitalization rate (multiplier) representing the perceived risk of investment to the seller along with the amount of future anticipated earnings of the business for one

year. Multiplied together, the result is the value of the business."

Coming up with a company's multiplier, or capitalization rate, involves an analysis of several factors to include the safety of the investment, the certainty and regularity of the return, the liquidity of the investment, the burden of management, ownership perks, how the business is affected by inflationary changes, and firm's anticipated earnings. Esser states that this figure is based on an in-depth analysis of past and present company performance, as well as its future growth potential.

"Once we get the necessary infor-

mation and documentation from the owner, it takes approximately three to four weeks to prepare the final report, which is usually 30-50 pages in length."

For more information about business valuations, readers can call 540-6600.

In two weeks we'll discuss the "art of the deal" relative to negotiating business sales agreements.

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A thought for the new year

1990 has been an unusual year for me. On the one hand, I've had my share of trials and tribulations; on the other, the year has brought in many challenges and opportunities.

My greatest challenge has been to serve you, my loyal readers, by keeping you informed, motivated and focused. The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers and I truly appreciate your support for this column.

Today I would like to share with you a poem by Gordon H. Taggart which occupies a prominent place on my desk.

I wish you the very best in the coming year.

"I wish I were honest enough to admit all my shortcomings; brilliant enough to accept flattery



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without it making me arrogant; tall enough to tower above deceit; strong enough to treasure love brave enough to welcome criticism; compassionate enough to understand human frailties; wise enough to recognize my mis-

takes; humble enough to appreciate greatness; staunch enough to stand by my friends; human enough to be thoughtful of my neighbor; and righteous enough to be devoted to the love of God."

Errors could mean mortgage refunds

By John Cunniff
staff writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Don't bank on it, but there's a possibility you might have a sizable refund coming from your mortgage lender, the result of errors in computing your adjustable rate payments.

The first hint of errors came in the summer of 1989, when a former employee of the Federal Savings & Loan Insurance Corp. studied portfolios of failed thrift institutions and found errors in a large percentage of mortgage loans.

Federal regulators already have asked lending institutions to audit their portfolios. Among these regulators were the Federal Reserve and the Office of Thrift Supervision.

Meanwhile, a recent report from the General Accounting Office contains estimates that between 20 percent and 30 percent of all adjustable rate mortgages might have been calculated incorrectly.

HSH Associates, which tracks rates at institutions around the country and calls itself the nation's largest publisher of mortgage information, says errors could involve wrong dates, wrong indexes and just poor arithmetic.

Adjustable rate mortgages, or ARMS, are changed on a regular basis by rises or declines in an independent index.

Most ARMs, says HSH, add a margin or mark-up to the index at each adjustment, which might occur at six months or a year.

HSH, which has produced a booklet for homeowners wishing to check their ARMs, lists a few of the other possibilities for error:

—The servicer, or company to which a borrower sends payments, might select a monthly index value instead of a weekly one.

—It might use the wrong date, and thus the wrong index value.

—An incorrect margin might be added to the index value. In some cases, the sum might not be rounded to the nearest one-eighth percent.

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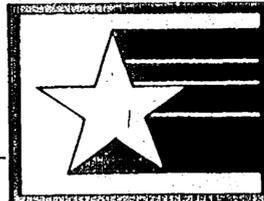
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'Ghost': It's tops at box office for 1990

By Dan Greenberg
Special writer

WHAT WERE 1990's best films? It depends on how you define "best."

The hallmark of a good film, at least to those who pay the enormous production costs, is what's lined up at the box office.

"If a film sells tickets," many in the business claim, "it's a good film." So look at the Top Ten box office receipts for your answer.

Considering current expenses, that's an understandable position.

"The Godfather, Part III" reportedly reached its final cut, the negative ready for distribution, at a cost of \$55 million. Add in distribution/exhibition costs and the breakeven point reaches \$120 million.

That's 20 million tickets at \$6 per. "Dick Tracy" garnered over \$103 million and Disney is crying the red-ink blues, claiming a \$50-million-plus-loss.

Of course there are some films, notably European ones, that don't cost much to produce by Hollywood standards and have a modest success at the U.S. box office. That's a financial accomplishment for their producers. And they are often films with values.

Witness "Cinema Paradiso" and "Henry V." Although they were released in time for last year's Oscars, they each amassed over \$10 million, largely at the 1990 box office. Petty cash for Hollywood but a considerable success for European filmmakers.

Their critical acclaim and sense of values are another type of "good." Not all films need to be rock-n-roll/teenage/slasher fare or obscure, often boring, essays on art, philosophy, life and love. This country's pleasure orientation, however, tends toward materialistic rewards and that satisfaction is costly.

Sometimes all those qualities come together. That certainly seems to be the case with "Ghost," by far the top film of 1990. As of Dec. 13, it had collected \$200.4 million at the U.S. box office with another \$144.5 million overseas.

"GHOST," WHICH I called the "sleeper of the summer," came out of nowhere and is characterized by an unusual concept as well as excellent production values. Number two on the box office list, "Pretty Woman," which brought in \$178.1 million, adds a fresh touch to an old concept with widespread appeal.

Both have something special going because they deal with redemption, something that attracts most of us.

In "Pretty Woman," Julia Roberts is a prostitute and her special customer is a big shooter on Wall Street, Richard Gere. This unlikely couple save themselves through the love that evolves out of their initial business relationship. It's remarkable how much an excellent production can do for a cliché story. The rich breath of romance makes "Pretty Woman" successful.

In "Ghost," Patrick Swayze hangs around after death to protect his lover, Demi Moore, and that dedication saves her while liberating him. The serious thought behind that concept and the top-notch production values, of course, are a big part of "Ghost's" success.

There's a big drop to the number three slot, in dollars as well as quality, with "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles" drawing \$131 million of what might be characterized as junior, fad dollars.

Number four at \$120.5 million, "The Hunt for Red October," has a major draw in Sean Connery, whose "Russia House" may do for the '91 box office what "Red October" did for 1990.

In close contention for the number

five spot are "Total Recall" (\$118.3 million) and, number six, "Die Hard 2" (\$155.3 million). Both feature popular stars (Arnold Schwarzenegger and Bruce Willis) in exciting, shoot-em-up adventure films. All that violence may not be good for us, but neither is chocolate.

THERE'S ANOTHER big drop in box office totals to number seven, the much ballyhooed "Dick Tracy" at \$103 million. Given its pre- and post-debut publicity, nothing less than a box-office take eclipsing "Batman's" 1989 record of a quarter billion dollars would have satisfied Disney officials. Nonetheless, it didn't do badly for a cartoon strip. Sold a lot of T-shirts, too.

Surprisingly, "Home Alone," which just opened, has done a phenomenal \$87.7 million in four weeks, putting it at number eight.

Remember, the stats quoted here are as of mid-December. One problem with Top Ten lists are films that open late in the year to catch the Oscar nomination deadline. But if they garner big bucks, it's not in the calendar year when they opened. "Mermaids," "The Russia House," "Godfather III," "Bonfire of the Vanities," "Dances With Wolves" and "Three Men and a Little Lady" all fall in that category.

THOSE SIX probably will crack the \$100 million mark in 1991, but they are considered 1990 films. "Look Who's Talking" and "The Little Mermaid," both of which did terrific box office in 1990, are two examples of 1989 films that had built a full head of steam when their year ('89) ended.

Number nine, "Presumed Innocent" (\$86.2 million) is followed by "Another 48 Hours" and "Back to the Future, Part 3" both looking to tie for number 10 at around \$80 million.



Demi Moore (left) and Patrick Swayze star in "Ghost," a suspense-thriller. The love story is the top box-office draw of 1990.



Left: Richard Gere and Julia Roberts star in the romantic comedy, "Pretty Woman," the second most popular movie of the year, according to box-office receipts.

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NEW YEAR'S

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A variety of services can be provided once the individual has been identified to Adult Protective Services. They are geared to respond to the array of problems of those adults in need of help. The agency will investigate and arrange for such ser-



on aging
Renee Mahler

VICES as case management, counseling, social protection, homemaking, housing, financial management, meals and home help. Medical care and payment arrangements can also be provided.

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Q. Do you have any helpful hints on what to bring for a short hospital stay. I have to go in for minor surgery for a few days and it would help if I know what I am supposed to bring. I'm 72 years old and this is the first time I have to be in the hospital.

A. You must be a very healthy person which is most fortunate. Everyone however, regardless of age is concerned about entering a hospital. Being prepared for the stay will certainly make the event less stressful. The National Institute on Aging suggests the following hints for people who are entering the hospital by choice rather than in an emergency situation. The patient's family and friends may find this information useful also.

The National Institute on Aging recommends that you pack as little as possible for your stay, however, be sure to bring a few nightclothes, robe, sturdy slippers, comfortable

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Pats nosed out in GC Tourney

Johnson, Holmes win individual titles

By Brad Emons
staff writer

Santa showed up Saturday to pass out medals during the Garden City Christmas Invitational Wrestling Tournament.

And for Livonia Franklin's ever-improving mat team, all its wishes nearly came true except for a team championship, which was whisked away by Melvindale.

The Cardinals, boasting three individual winners, led a tight 16-team field with 127 points, only four ahead of runner-up Franklin (123) and eight in front of third-place Trenton (119). Defending champion Westland John Glenn was fourth with 115½. See statistical summary.

"If we had wrestled our best, we could have won it," Franklin coach Ken Meinschein said. "We could have finished as low as fifth, however, and I'd still be happy."

"Overall I thought all the kids wrestled hard. We could have done better at a couple of weights and those kids know who they are."

Meinschein was certainly pleased with the way things went at heavyweight where senior Bobby Johnson opened the championship round with an upset victory over Dearborn's giant Andy Balestrieri.

JOHNSON trailed 5-2, but pulled even at 5-5 and then stunned the state's fourth-ranked heavyweight with a pin in 5:15 in what turned

out to be one of the most exciting matches of the day.

"He was pinned by him (Balestrieri) in no time at all last year," said Meinschein. "This time we told him to wrestle with the kid instead of doing it all in the first period. By going all three periods, good things will happen and let's see if we're in better condition."

Balestrieri defeated Johnson earlier in the month at the Trenton Dual Meet Tournament, but this time the Franklin wrestler wore down his opponent.

"It was a huge win for Bobby," said the Franklin coach. "He beat a tough kid."

Another Franklin standout was 140-pounder Eric Holmes, nicknamed "Okie" by his teammates.

Holmes, who transferred to Franklin last year from Tulsa, Oklahoma, outlasted Riverview's Tim Phillips in a high-scoring match, 9-8. Holmes, who comes from a wrestling background (his father wrestled at Michigan State), is now 14-1 overall.

"Eric stepped up 'big-time' with time running out," Meinschein said.

THE ONLY OBSERVERLAND performer in the winner's circle was Glenn sophomore Mike Reeves, who captured the 152-pound class with a 9-2 decision over Livonia Stevenson's Doug Carmack.

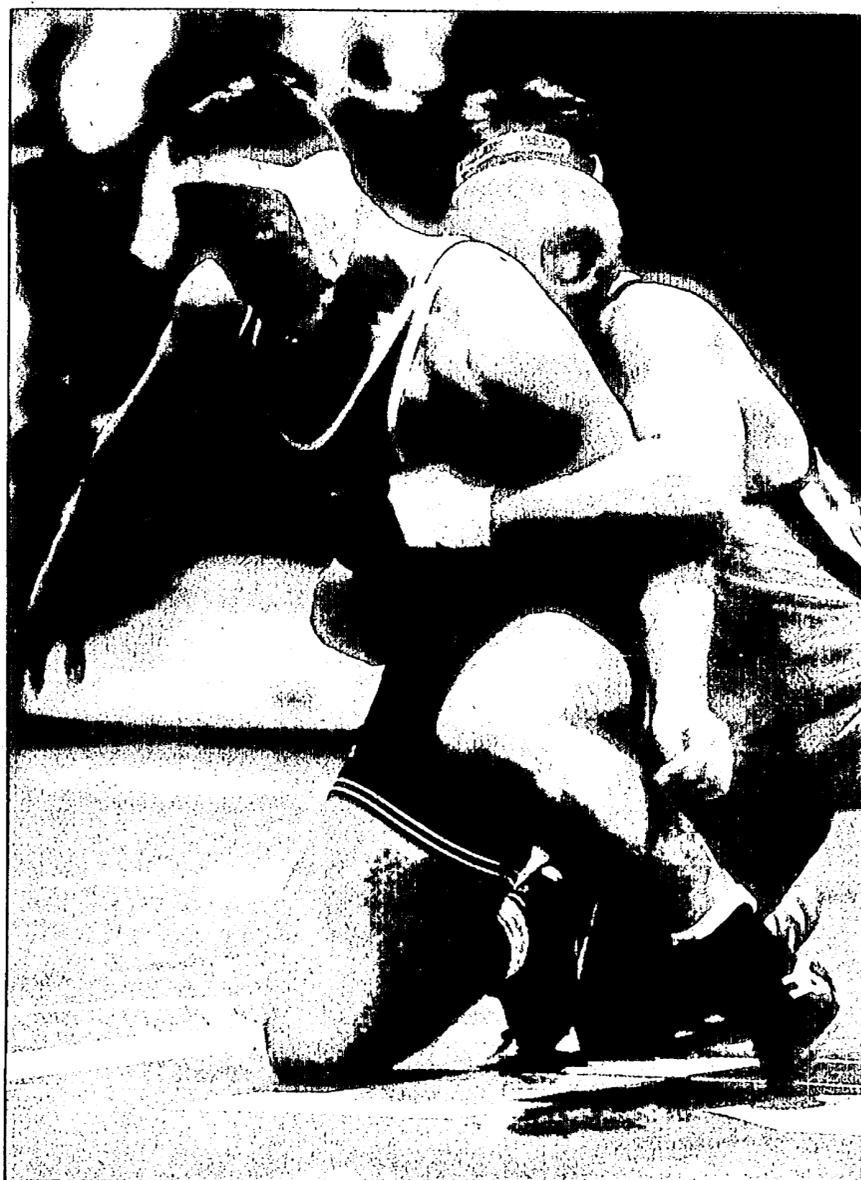
The once-beaten Reeves, who was MVP of the Plymouth Canton Invitational a week earlier, once again looked impressive.

"Reeves is excellent," said Stevenson coach Don Berg. "I understand he has quite a bit of freestyle experience and it shows. Carmack is not a bad wrestler himself. His only two losses are to him (Reeves)."

Other area grapplers earning second place finishes included Tony Horvath (119) and Ben Maton (171), both of Lutheran Westland.

Third place area finishers included Tom Pace (103) of Glenn; Gary Aral (119) of Redford Union; Clint Shepley (125) of Livonia Churchill; Ryan Carriere (130) of Stevenson; Craig LeTourneau (135) of Redford Union; and Fred Vargas (145) of Franklin.

Johnson drew consideration for



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Dearborn's Jay Jakubowski (front) tries to escape from Redford Union's George DeBates Invitational, while DeBates bowed out with a sprained ankle.

Most Valuable Wrestler honors, but the coaches voted for Trenton's Marc Famularo, who dethroned Northville's Brandon Mardossian for the 135-pound title. Famularo was one of three Trenton wrestlers to come away with titles.

"135 WAS THE toughest weight class," said Garden City coach Phil

Freeman. "Of the 16 schools at that weight, 14 came in with winning records."

"My man (Chris Gorak) took fifth and he was wrestling well."

Freeman said that Johnson's win was significant.

"Anything can happen in the heavyweight division," said the GC

coach. "For the Franklin kid to come back and beat him (Balestrieri) is a great chore. It was a good win for him."

The Garden City coach also had praise for the Patriots overall.

"They're the surprise in the area right now," Freeman said. "They're coming on as a team."

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CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

Heavyweight: Bobby Johnson (Franklin) pinned Andy Balestrieri (Dearborn), 5:15; consolation: Jim Dodd (Riverview) pinned Jame Hardy (Luth. Westland), 2:10; 5th-6th: Jason Peterson (GC) pinned Pat Srock (RU), 0:30.

103 pounds: Marc Gray (Saline) dethroned Rick Wallace (Melvindale), 13:0; consolation: Tom Pace (Glenn) dec. Derek Rowland (Franklin), 5-1; 5th-6th: Thinh Pham (Annapolis) dec. Mark Dzendzel (GC), 8-4.

112: Bryan Beuckelaere (Divine Child) pinned Mike Allison (Northville), 5:45; consolation: Chris Korczyk (Melvindale) pinned Dave Stoddard (RU), 2:57; 5th-6th: Mike Mancini (Glenn) dec. Doug Johnson (Luth. Westland), 8-5.

119: Stuart Baringer (Melvindale) dec. Tony Horvath (Luth. Westland), 3-1 (overtime); consolation: Gary Aral (RU) dec. Brandon Udell (Glenn), 10-9; 5th-6th: Matt Morris (GC) pinned Greg Shelton (Saline), 1:15.

125: Randy Smith (Dearborn) pinned K Kane (Riverview), 1:34; consolation: Clint Shepley (Churchill) dec. Aaron Ingold (Franklin), 4-1; 5th-6th: M. Morse (Annapolis) won by default over J. Hawthorne (RU).

130: Brian Heller (Melvindale) dec. Anthony Fundaro (Divine Child), 8-0; consolation: Ryan Carriere (Stevenson) dec. Rod Korte (Annapolis), 9-2; 5th-6th: Nick Kostakis (Franklin) dec. Rob Wilson (Glenn), 4-0.

135: Marc Famularo (Trenton) dec. Brand Mardossian (Northville), 4-2; consolation: Craig LeTourneau (RU) dec. Brian Mitchell (Stevenson), 8-0; 5th-6th: Chris Gorak (GC) dec. Doug Moritz (Melvindale), 5-3.

140: Eric Holmes (Franklin) dec. Tim Phillips (Riverview), 9-8; consolation: Rich Rodriguez (Melvindale) dec. Lance Beebe (Saline), 8-7; 5th-6th: Chris Brown (Churchill) dec. Scott Bergeron (Annapolis), 9-3.

145: Steve Nicholl (Annapolis) dec. Brad Lezotte (Dearborn), 4-3; consolation: Fred Vargas (Franklin) dec. Damon Dyer (Trenton), 3-0; 5th-6th: Shane Hall (Glenn) pinned Andy Brown (Churchill), 3:10.

152: Mike Reeves (Glenn) dec. Doug Carmack (Stevenson), 9-2; consolation: Tim Grabowski (Trenton) won by default over Anton Baynas (Divine Child); 5th-6th: Todd Jacobs (GC) dec. Bill Poik (Dearborn), 5-2.

160: Matt Starosciak (Divine Child) dec. D. Donathan (Riverview), 11-3; consolation: Denny DeGrand (Saline) dec. Kevin McKenna (Glenn), 14-2; 5th-6th: P. Kozowski (Melvindale) dec. Phil Priebe (Trenton), 7-0.

171: Dave Porath (Trenton) pinned Ben Maton (Luth. Westland), 1:21; consolation: J. Lower (Northville) dec. Chris Lehl, 3-2; 5th-6th: Aaron Shakarian (Franklin) dec. Tony Pietrzyk (Glenn), 10-4.

189: Craig Simmons (Trenton) dec. Dino Papadopoulos (Riverview), 1:03; consolation: Jay Jakubowski (Dearborn) pinned J. Vettese (Northville), 2:30; 5th-6th: Brian Whetstone (Franklin) dec. Jim Brown (Saline), 6-4.

Tournament MVP: Marc Famularo, 135 pounds, Trenton.

Shamrocks search for combinations Ypsilanti beats CC at Cobo

By Brad Emons
staff writer

As the old expression goes, Bernie Holowicki is "caught between a rock and a hard place."

Through four games, the Redford Catholic Central basketball coach has tinkered with various lineups.

And following Saturday's 64-50 loss to Ypsilanti at the Big Michigan Shoot-Out (held at Detroit's Cobo Arena), which dropped the Shamrocks to 2-2 overall, Holowicki is searching again.

"We're struggling because of the point-guard situation," he said. "We're still trying to find a good combination that we can stick with."

The Shamrocks' center from a year ago, 6-foot-5 junior Bob Kummer, has been playing the lead guard role all season with mixed reviews.

"Bobby's done it so far, but it pulls him away from the basket and that can be a drawback for him," said the CC coach. "And you know what he can do when he posts up inside."

Kummer had 15 points in a losing cause, while the Shamrocks' other big gun, 6-4 Steve Whitlow, contributed 12.

Ypsilanti, behind Shannon Williams' 15 first-half points, took a 33-25 lead at intermission.

The Braves (4-1), who got hot from three-point range, continued to surge in the third quarter by outscoring the Shamrocks 17-6.

"We started out OK, hung in there for awhile being down by only five or six, but eventually we got caught," Holowicki said. "Then we played hard again in the fourth quarter."

Williams led winners with 18 points, while Wendell Rodgers and Wayne Minor contributed 17 and 10, respectively.

"Ypsi is so quick and the big kid (Williams) hurt us big-time," Holowicki said. "He (Williams) is a big-time player, a major college player."

CC returns to action Friday at home (7:30 p.m.) in a non-league encounter against St. Clair Shores Lake Shore.

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The Shamrocks then open their Catholic League Central Division schedule Friday, Nov. 4 at home against Redford Bishop Borgess.

ST. AGATHA 61, MT. CARMEL 45: On Friday, Redford St. Agatha won its Catholic League C-D Division opener, snapping a three-game losing skid with a victory over visiting Wyandotte Mount Carmel.

The Aggies are 1-3 overall and 1-0 in the division, while the Comets slipped to 2-3 and 0-1.

Agatha jumped out to a 14-5 first-quarter advantage and Mount Carmel was never able to get any closer than 10 points the rest of the way.

Jerrold Kresnak, Derwin Henderson and Jeremy MacNicol pumped in 14 points apiece for the winners. Joe Boards added nine.

John Borovich and Keith Krossan tallied 12 and 10, respectively, for the Comets.

ROBICHAUD 71, GARDEN CITY 49: On Friday, host Dearborn Heights Robichaud overpowered the Cougars (1-4) behind a game-high 19 points from Ernie Baskin.

The Bulldogs led 37-27 at halftime and then blew it wide open with a 22-7 scoring spurt in the third quarter.

Robert McClain and William Flemming contributed 14 and 10 points, respectively, for the winners. All-State football player Tyrone Wheatley chipped in with eight.

Adam Marano and Jeff Williams tallied 10 and nine, respectively, for the Cougars.

"They're so physically big," said GC coach Mark Cramton of the Bulldogs. "They've got Tyrone Wheatley and they just physically dominated us."

"We didn't shoot very well and we never got any second chances either. They're just monsters. We were no match for them physically."

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H. Farmington vs. Troy High, 8 p.m.
(Woodhaven Tournament)
E. Bishop Burgess vs. Riverview, 6 p.m.
Riv. Gab. Richard vs. Woodhaven, 7:30 p.m.
(Oakland Catholic Tournament)
Det. Holy Redeemer vs. Clawson, 6 p.m.
Ply. Christian vs. Oak. Catholic, 7:30 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 28
S.C.S. Lake Shore at Redford CC, 7:30 p.m.
(Troy High Tournament)
Consolation and finals, 6 and 8 p.m.
(Woodhaven Tournament)
Consolation and finals, 5:30 and 7:30 p.m.
(Oakland Catholic Tournament)
Consolation and finals, 6 and 7:30 p.m.

the week ahead

REP HOCKEY
Saturday, Dec. 29
CC Akumri Gam. (Redford Arena), 8 p.m.

WEEK OF DEC. 31-JAN. 5

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Friday, Jan. 4
Bishop Burgess at Redford CC, 7:30 p.m.
Oak. Catholic at Agatha, 7:30 p.m.
Luth. Westland at St. Field Christian, 7:30 p.m.
Woodhaven at Iv. Church, 7:30 p.m.
Garden City at St. Thurston, 7:30 p.m.
South Lyon at V.L. Western, 7:30 p.m.
A.A. Pioneer at th. Canton, 7:30 p.m.

Ypsilanti at Ply. Salem, 7:30 p.m.
Birm. Seaholm at Farmington, 7:30 p.m.
Oak Park at Farm. Harrison, 7:30 p.m.
Ply. Christian at Taylor Baptist Pk., 8 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
Saturday, Jan. 5
Oakland CC at Delta CC, 7:30 p.m.
Schoolcraft at Alpena CC, 8 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
Saturday, Jan. 5
Schoolcraft at Alpena CC, 6 p.m.

PREP HOCKEY
Wednesday, Jan. 2
Liv. Churchill vs. Milford High
at Livonia's Edgar Arena, 8 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 4
Liv. Churchill vs. Milford High
Liv. Franklin vs. Milford Lakeland
at Livonia's Edgar Arena, 4 and 6 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
Saturday, Jan. 5
Redford CC vs. Windsor Assumption
at Redford Ice Arena, 8 p.m.

OU women's cagers falter

Oakland University's five-game win streak came to a halt in the final of the St. Joseph's College (Ind.) Lady Puma Classic, with the Lady Pioneers' basketball team losing 78-70 to the host Lady Pumas Saturday.

The win kept St. Joseph's unbeaten at 9-0. OU slipped to 8-4. A strong-shooting second half propelled the Lady Pumas. After connecting on just seven-of-23 (30 percent) in the first half, they sank 20-of-32 (63 percent) in the second. OU, meanwhile, made just 15-of-41 (37 percent) in the second half; the Lady Pioneers were 28-of-79 (35 percent) for the game.

OU led 21-7 with 10:30 remaining in the first half, but St. Joseph's closed to within 36-30 at the half. A 29-9 Jaguar run in the first eight minutes of the second half put them in command, 59-45; OU never again got closer than the final margin.

Jennifer Golen's 22 points paced OU. Janice Kosman added 17. Sloan Haughey scored 21 and Jennifer Radosevich netted 19 for St. Joseph's.

Golen, OU's most consistent offensive player, was named to the all-

tournament team, the third time this season she has earned such an honor.

In Friday's opener against Mercyhurst (Pa.) College, Golen popped in 17 points, hitting eight-of-14 shots, and had six steals in an 84-69 OU win.

The Lady Pioneers, who led 37-32 at the half, led the victory with a 32-14 run in the first 10 minutes of the second half. They were red hot in that half, making 20-of-27 floor shots (74 percent). Mercyhurst made 14-of-54 (26 percent) in that span.

Perhaps of more importance for OU was the debut of Regina Woodard, the 6-foot junior center from Bloomfield Hills Lahser. Woodard, who played two years at Oakland CC, scored 1 point, grabbed 12 rebounds and blocked three shots.

OU'S MEN'S TEAM took advantage of poor shooting by Edinboro University to post a 96-72 victory Dec. 19 at OU.

Edinboro 6-3 overall) made just nine-of-30 (30 percent) first-half shots and trailed 42-23 at the intermission.

Eric Taylor had a superb all-

around game, collecting 24 points, 12 rebounds and five steals. Tom Eller added 17 points, Anthony Soule had 15 and eight boards, and Tony Howard got 13 points. Aaron Brown's 17 points paced Edinboro; Derek Walton had 14.

The win was OU's second in three games, improving its record to 3-5. The Pioneers host the Oakland Holiday Classic this weekend. Adrian College (1-7) meets St. Joseph's (1-4) at 1 p.m. Saturday, with OU playing Aquinas (4-8) at 3 p.m. The losers meet at 1 p.m. Sunday, with the championship game following.

OCC BASKETBALL: Oakland CC's men's team kept its record unblemished with a 114-93 victory at Flint Jordan College Friday.

Six Raiders reached double-figures in scoring, led by Devlin Bell's 25. James Escoc (from Southfield) and Jerry Prieskorn had 19 apiece, Rashe Reviere had 18, Starlin Stevens netted 16 and Ed Whitaker added 13. Scott Mack led Jordan (6-9) with 20 points.

The win improved OCC's record to 12-0. The Raiders are idle until Jan. 5, when they play at Delta College.

Webber nets 30, but team defeated

By Jim Toth
staff writer

There were no state titles to be won, no city crowns to be claimed, no league championships to be secured.

What was on the line was pride — that one key element that makes high school athletics so special.

Both Detroit Southwestern and Detroit Country Day put forth plenty of pride, not to mention a great deal of effort and talent, Saturday evening at Cobo Arena in the finale of The 1990 Big Michigan Shoot-Out. The result was a 72-64 Prospector triumph before an enthusiastic crowd, announced at more than 7,000.

SOUTHWESTERN, the defending Class A champion, improved to 5-1 with the victory while Country Day, the defending Class B titlist, dropped to 2-1.

The majority of those in attendance for the evening session came to watch three of the state's premier players in Country Day's Chris Webber and Southwestern's Jalen Rose and Voshon Lenard. Few, if any, left disappointed.

Webber electrified the boisterous turnout with some slick low-post moves, an array of thunderous dunks and a bevy of rebounds. His efforts resulted in 30 points, 16 rebounds and three blocked shots.

The 6-8, 190-pound Rose topped a balanced Southwestern squad with 24 points. Lenard followed with 19 and teammate Mike Hamilton chipped in 17.

"Free throw shooting was the difference in this particular ballgame,"

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Country Day coach Kurt Keener said after the game. "We've got to be able to shoot a higher percentage to be competitive with a team like Southwestern. You can't give them any breaks. You can't give them any advantage. We would have had to shoot like them to be right there at the end."

BOTH TEAMS came out smoking in the first quarter as the Yellow Jackets connected on their first five shots from the floor and the Prospectors made their first four. DCD came away from the first eight minutes holding a 21-17 lead.

A sagging defense which surrounded Webber whenever he touched the ball, held the Yellow Jackets to only 12 points in the second quarter and sent Southwestern into halftime clinging to a 36-33 lead.

The Prospectors increased the margin to 50-41 after three quarters and held off any late charges by the Yellow Jackets with stellar free throw shooting.

"Southwestern is a difficult team offensively," Keener said. "Their main thrust is to beat you out of a defensive rebound and run the break. If they don't run a break they are

disciplined at executing their offense and getting the shot they want to get. "One thing as the season progresses, we're going to have to get more confidence at other positions," Keener continued. "We're so used to Chris being strong enough, tough enough and good enough to overcome a triple team. We just don't see a triple team the caliber of Southwestern."

"BUT THIS is a great barometer for us to go back and look at the films. It's an early-season game. We'll get better and look at this game and learn from it."

Keener felt the quick start was a result of both teams looking forward to playing downtown in front of a large crowd.

"I think both teams came out and did a very good job," Keener explained. "The lights, the crowd — everybody was playing above themselves. Once it settled in, the fatigue factor took over. We knew they were going to make some runs and we were hoping we were going to make some runs."

With the Southwestern/DCD matchup culminating a day-long slate of basketball, five games in all were played within a 12-hour period, Keener said he hopes the atmosphere generated by this event "serves as a turning point in bringing basketball back into the city and into this building."

Harrison coach let go after 5 seasons

By C.J. Risak
staff writer

Ernie Harwell wasn't the only one to get a Christmas surprise.

A week before Christmas, Harwell — the longtime Detroit Tigers' announcer — was sacked.

The public outrage that followed has been unprecedented. Jim Neve certainly doesn't expect anything to match that, but he feels equally victimized.

Neve, the varsity girls' basketball coach at Farmington Harrison for the past five seasons, was dumped a week ago. And like Harwell, he isn't sure why.

"It was a unilateral decision," said Ron Holland, the Farmington schools athletic director. "There were three of us involved."

And the reason? "There were a lot of things that can't be said," replied Holland.

Clay Graham, Harrison's principal and one of the three in on the decision (the third was Harrison AD Norm Dickson), also would not supply specifics. "There were some things we don't want to talk about publicly," said Graham. "Things we were looking for that needed to be done, of a personal nature."

ALL OF which has left Neve as

puzzled as anyone. "I never had the foggiest idea I was going to get terminated," said Neve. "I'm baffled by it. I got screwed. I'd like to know what the problem was."

If records mean anything, then Neve would have his answer. He won just six games in his five seasons; his 3-18 mark this year was Harrison's best under his tenure. He was 6-96 overall.

But that had little to do with the decision, apparently. Said Graham: "Take a look at the team before (Neve) got here. There's no question they're more competitive now than they were then."

"I would certainly not want to criticize him for not putting in the work."

Added Holland: "He was a hard worker. He put a lot of time into it. If it was just wins and losses (that concerned us), we probably would have gotten rid of him three years ago."

WHAT THEN? Neve agreed he did not get along with all those connected with his program — notably some parents of players. The tenuous relationship apparently played a role in his dismissal.

"No coaches loved by everybody," said Neve. "I'm not going to get into

girls basketball

that I'm not ashamed of what I did there. I enjoyed the relationship I had with the five teams I coached there."

According to Neve, he had talked

to both Graham and Holland in the weeks following the season and was told they wanted him to return. His team's banquet was in mid-December, and again, he had no idea what was ahead.

Neve added: "The whole thing is sad. The parents never came to me (with complaints)."

"I'm not the best (coach), but I'm not the worst."

Apparently, he just wasn't good enough — for whatever reason.

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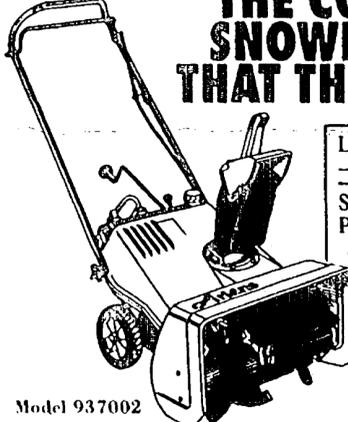
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Astronomers seek Star of Bethlehem

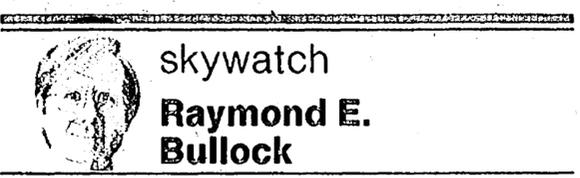


Look high in the west southwest before sunrise in December and you cannot fail to see a brilliant 'star.' It's actually not a star at all; it's the planet Jupiter, one of the brightest objects in the night sky. Only the sun, the moon and Venus are brighter. Meanwhile, after sunset you can see bright red Mars, currently the 4th brightest object in the sky, in the east.

When seen before sunrise, a bright planet is often called the "morning star," seen after sunset it's the "evening star." When seen in December it is often given another name; the "Christmas Star," and that makes people wonder about a special "star" that appeared nearly 2,000 years ago. What was the "star" that guided the wise men to Bethlehem? That question has puzzled people for centuries.

To try and determine the nature of the Christmas Star, we must look back in time. Of all the astronomical objects that were visible to the wise men, what did they actually see? Looking into the past gives rise to another question: How far into the past do we look? When was the time of the wise men and the birth of Jesus? That's very difficult to determine. Back in antiquity, birth records for only the most important people were made, so we can't simply look up a record of birth. Besides, the calendar in use at the time was very different from the one we use today. It was based on the legendary founding of the city of Rome.

In our attempt to calculate a date for the birth, we must take clues from early historical records. The first clue is a direct statement from the Bible: "Now when Jesus was born in the Bethlehem in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem..." (Matthew 2:1)



skywatch
Raymond E. Bullock

We know when Herod was king. The Jewish historian Flavius Josephus wrote that Herod died shortly after an eclipse of the moon, which occurred just after the feast of Purim, and shortly before Passover. Astronomers understand the motions of the moon well enough to calculate eclipses. Calculating backwards, it was determined that an eclipse was visible to that part of the world on March 14, in the year we call 4 B.C. Herod died after that eclipse, so Jesus must have been before that year. But how much before?

THERE IS another clue which explains why Mary and Joseph traveled to Bethlehem: "... there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. (And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.) And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city." (Luke 2:1-3.)

It is possible to determine when that taxation (actually a census) occurred. In 1923, archeologists discovered an ancient tablet in the ruins of a Roman temple. On it were inscribed three dates for taxations demanded by Caesar Augustus. One was in 28 B.C., the next was 8 B.C., and the third in 14 A.D. Assuming the decree of 28 B.C. to be too early and the decree of 14 A.D. to be too

late for our consideration (remember Herod died around 4 B.C.), we are left with the decree of 8 B.C.

Allowing for the slowness of communication in those days, the news of the decree may not have reached Mary and Joseph until 7 B.C. It would have taken them a good deal of time to travel to Bethlehem. Perhaps the birth occurred in late 7 B.C. or early 6 B.C. That would be a few years before the eclipse of 4 B.C., and coincided with the death of Herod.

We can almost be certain the birth did not occur on Dec. 25. Another clue (Luke 2:8) tells us there were shepherds tending their flock by night when they learned of the birth. Shepherds only watch the flock at night when lambs are being born in spring and the flock is vulnerable to being attacked by predators. If the birth occurred in spring, why is it celebrated in December? For safety.

In order to avoid Roman persecution, early Christians had to practice their religion in secret. The best time to have a Christian celebration was when the Romans were having a pagan festival. The Roman Saturnalia was held around the end of December, so if the Christians chose to celebrate an event, such as the birth of Jesus, during the same time, they would not be noticed. It wasn't until over 400 years later that Dec. 25 was

made the official date, and that date may have been chosen only because, after 400 years, it would have become a major tradition. So let us consider the spring of 7 B.C. and see if anything spectacular was occurring in the sky that might have been interpreted as the star.

COULD THE "STAR" the wise men saw have been what we call a "falling" star? Probably not. "Falling" stars are not stars at all; they are bits of rock and dust that fall into our atmosphere from space. As they fall they heat up because of friction and burn, producing streaks of light. Most falling stars, more commonly called meteors, are not very spectacular. At certain times of the years there are meteor showers when dozens of "falling" stars can be seen, but only if you are a patient observer. Most meteor showers do not attract much attention, although in 1833 one shower produced an estimated 30,000 meteors in a single minute. Sometimes a large meteor, called a fireball, falls into our atmosphere and it may explode in the air. That would be a startling sight, but only for a few seconds and meteor showers last only a few days at best. That would not be enough time to guide anyone on a long journey.

IN THE YEAR 1604, astronomer Johann Kepler saw a supernova and this made him wonder about the identity of the Christmas Star. He knew of no written records which mentioned the appearance of a nova in 7 B.C., so the "star" must have been something else. Unfortunately, the Bible does not explain the nature of the star for us. As important as the "star" is, there are only four ref-

erences to it in the entire Bible, all within four verses in Matthew Chapter 2, and never with any explanation:

"For we have seen his star in the east..." (Matthew 2:2)

"Then Herod, when he had privately called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star had appeared." (Matthew 2:7)

"When they had heard the king, they departed: and lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them..." (Matthew 2:9)

"When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy." (Matthew 2:10)

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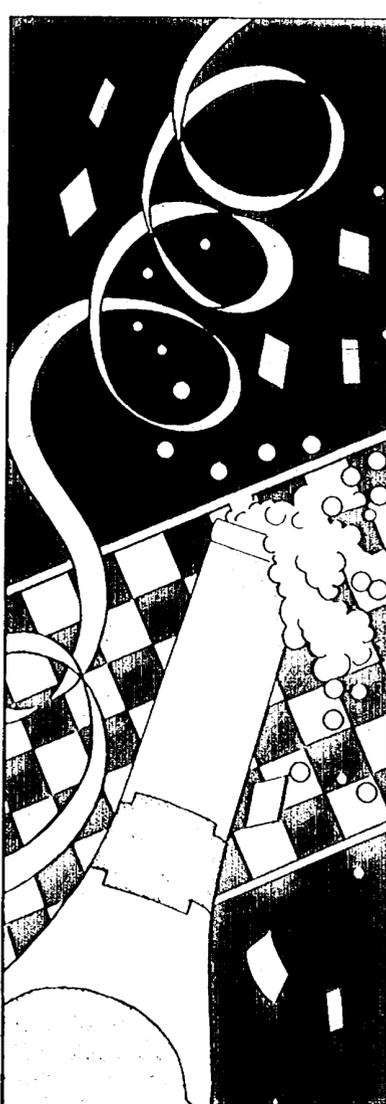
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They know how to party

Mummers Parade attracts all kinds in Philadelphia

By Nicki and Harold Chodnoff
special writers

It's a 12-hour party on Broad Street in Philadelphia; princes, clowns, devils and angels, in sequins, satins and feathers, all marching to the sound of music, the strains of banjos and glockenspiels.

It's New Year's Day in Philadelphia and time for the annual Mummers Parade, which has the madness of Mardi Gras mixed with melting-pot immigrant customs.

The parade's history goes back to 1876 when mummers marched to Independence Hall accompanied by New Year's Shooters, comic masqueraders who rode the streets shouting, firing guns and occasionally killing fellow merry-makers. City officials tried to contain the rowdiness when they took the parade over in 1901.

Today, the city distributes more than \$280,000 in prize money among the four parade divisions and 25,000 participants who march 2 1/2 miles up Broad Street every New Year's Day with spectators lining the route and a million more from Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware watching on television.

Leading the parade at 7:45 a.m. is the Comic Division with prancing, dancing, colorful clowns wielding parasols as they strut to the Mummers theme, "Oh, Dem Golden Slippers," composed by Philadelphia James Bland in 1879. Floats and presentations comically satirize current events and everyday life.

Elaborately dressed marchers make up the Fancy Division, accompanied by brass bands, bigger-than-life floats and frame suits.

The String Band Division, the most popular unit, marches in mid afternoon. It's made up of plumed, bespangled musicians, at least 48 men per club. Banjos and glockenspiels mark time as ornately-garbed captains perform precision drills and dance routines.

Fancy Brigade Division features embellished captain's floats and spectacularly costumed march-



Philadelphians get out their fancy clothes every New Year's Day and dance through town in the annual Mummers Parade that lasts 12 hours. Some of the costumes weigh more than 100

pounds. In keeping with tradition, fathers often march beside sons and it isn't unusual to see three generations of men from one family marching together.

ers moving in formation. Music from brass bands allow intricate dance routines. Costumes, particularly in the Fancy and String Band divisions, can

cost several thousand dollars each. Some of the finery, namely the framed costumes, can weigh 300 pounds and be 13 to 14 feet high. String band attire, with back-pieces

strapped to each man by a harness, often weigh as much as 125 pounds.

Every club has its own admittance requirements, but one rule holds true — all members are men — a tradi-

tion left intact since the parade's inception. Men become involved with clubs through ethnic affiliation, family or neighborhood ties. Philadelphia is a city of many dis-

tinct ethnic neighborhoods, all of which maintain a small-town feel. Philadelphians root and cheer mightily for their favorite clubs — from their grand parade entrance, through performance stops along the parade route, to their final performance before the judges.

Judges are professionals, mainly from the performing arts and communication fields, who donate their time. All are well-known in their areas of expertise, but their names are not revealed to the public.

Many mummers begin learning the famed "Mummer's Strut," an off-shoot of the popular 19th century cakewalk dance, as two- or three-year-olds.

In the parade, fathers march beside sons, with three generations from one family strutting together a common sight. Family ties are strong and this spirit and sense of belonging is one of the parade's chief attractions.

The 12-hour parade is the climax of a year of hard work, practice and preparation. The cycle starts anew each year as mummers create new themes for each parade.

New dance routines are devised. Appropriate music is arranged. Local priests register each club's theme to ensure originality and non-duplication.

Work continues throughout the year as dance routines or drills are learned and practiced, music is perfected and costumes made. Fund-raising performances are scheduled throughout the year to defray enormous costume costs which are supplemented by parade prize money and personal contributions from mummers.

Experiencing the parade provides a feel for the real flavor and heart of Philadelphia, away from the usual historic sites and tourist spots. Street-side viewing all along the parade route is free and has the added benefit of standing, elbow-to-elbow, with a cross section of Philadelphians.

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City of big shoulders proves to be a bonanza for kids, too

By Irone McMahon
special writer

There was a time when large hotels and resorts were perturbed by juvenile visitors. Not any longer.

Nearly 100 Hyatt hotels and resorts in the U.S., Canada and the Caribbean have initiated supervised weekend activities for children under 15 years of age. Their Camp Hyatt offers special room rates, children's menus, room service and a welcome check-in packet for the kids. My family and I spent such a weekend recently at the Chicago Hyatt Regency.

We started early Saturday morning at the Museum of Science and Industry, a place that could have done us in for the weekend. To avoid this we limited our time to one exhibit per person. Jonathan, 8, chose the story of petroleum with cavemen and woolly mammoths. Mac and I wanted to see the Frank Lloyd Wright exhibit. Meryl, 9, opted for the gift shop.

Before we all developed a bad case of museum feet we headed for the Billy Goat Tavern under Michigan Boulevard. (The children had pushed for McDonald's but we held firm.) Saturdays the long wooden bar is empty and tables at the Billy Goat are filled with families munching hamburgers and grilled cheese sandwiches. Over our heads hung portraits of great Chicago journalists, Maggie Daley, Irv Kupcinet, Bob Cromie and Mike Royko, among others. Our gourmets reluctantly admitted the hamburgers were at least as good as those at McDonald's.

At noon we checked into our hotel. The flashiness of the Hyatt is in itself an experience for a child from the "burbs." At the desk they received their Camp Hyatt caps, as below in the great atrium dancers stepped lightly on the large keyboard of an oversized piano. It was all an exciting promise of things to come, and we registered the kids for that evening's session of Camp Hyatt.

Our 20th floor room provided a

panorama of the Chicago River, the newly renovated 1905 warehouse, North Pier on the Ogden Slip with the locks and Lake Point Tower behind.

Soon we were down on the river for an hour-long excursion through the locks and out into the lake. We had missed a 10:15 a.m. Wacky Boat excursion piloted by pirates, but you can't get everything into one weekend.

Meryl observed every move as we passed through the locks. She learned that they were built a hundred years ago to reverse the flow of the Chicago River and carry our effluvia toward New Orleans.

The start of the Mackinac Race was forming and hundreds of sails seemed an imaginary island in deep water. A red fireboat sent them off with a stream of colored water.

By five o'clock we were back in our room for a wash-up before dinner at the Scamp Restaurant. We watched the sunset reflect off the buildings and the city light up. Jonathan was bereft of a cassette player for his Batman tape but he was pleased with the candy on his pillow and the fact that he wouldn't have to make his bed.

Our table was near the waterfall and there was a special menu for children: Alphabet soup, "big juicy burger" with fries, "hot dogger" and "gooey" chocolate cake. This was perceived as an improvement over the Billy Goat.

Camp Hyatt occupied an ordinary hotel meeting room but was supplied with copious slices of pizza and scoops of ice cream, costumes and games.

Apprehension permeated the air as we left behind two reluctant children, the Batman tape and our room number. Merynn Lacco and her helpers were in charge. It was reassuring to learn that Merynn holds degrees in

hotel management and recreation.

We returned to our room expecting a knock on the door at any moment. Finally, at 9:30 we checked to see how it was going.

Jonathan stood before an easel displaying his drawing of Batman, telling the story of the movie to the entire group as his tape blasted off in the background.

Meryl had been on a scavenger hunt throughout the hotel and there were samples of cookies they had all made in the kitchen assisted by a pastry chef. Camp Hyatt was a big success.

That night we walked down to the river where a steel band was playing in front of the Wrigley Building. From a hawk on the bridge we bought Batman and Joker T-shirts.

Early Sunday morning we stood on the site of Fort Dearborn, now a watchtower for the bridgemen, and pointed to the Wrigley Building across the river where Jean Baptiste Point deSable, the city's first non-Indian resident, established his 1772 trading post.

Tables were being assembled in front of the Equitable Building for the annual marathon along Michigan Boulevard. We discovered stones from the Coliseum in Rome, the Pyramids in Egypt, Yale University and Injun Joe's cave in Hannibal, Mo., all embedded in the walls of the Tribune Tower. In the quiet of Sunday morning one feels the city in a more personal way.

Meryl and Jonathan showed limited interest in the red hats of Chicago's former cardinals hanging from the ceiling of Holy Name Cathedral.

Brunch in the glass-walled Captain's Walk Restaurant of the Hyatt gave us a view of the last of the marathoners and brought our spectacular weekend to a spectacular finish.



Small visitors to Walt Disney World in Orlando, Fla., might want to follow this little girl's example and get a feel for Goofy's big nose and winning smile. Also walking the Disney streets are Mickey Mouse (Goofy's master), Donald Duck and other cartoon stars.

Disney World trip a success, despite doing everything wrong

By Kathleen Shipley
special writer

How would a family of four, including two boys ages 14 and 17, fare at Walt Disney World? That was the question I found an answer to this year.

We did nearly everything wrong. We waited until the kids were teenagers to go for the first time, went there in the heart of the summer with the weather at its hottest and the crowds at their largest — and loved it anyway.

The most interesting aspect turned out to be Epcot Center. It's loaded with fabulous exhibits and rides that both the teens and adults found enjoyable.

reader's report

In Spaceship Earth we were taken on a journey through the vast geosphere that visually identifies Epcot Center. This journey through history from the days of Cro-Magnon man to the present was my younger son's favorite.

Another favorite was Kodak's Journey Into Imagination, an artistic exploration of how our imagination works. In another part of this pavilion the 3-D rock show "Captain EO," starring Michael Jackson, was enjoyed by all.

So was the Image Works, a hands

on activity center that allowed us to try a variety of imaginative exhibits, such as the Lightwriter, which draws geometric designs with laser beams.

Children should be at least 12 years old to get the most out of Epcot.

There is another section at Epcot called The World Showcase. Here we took a most interesting look at various countries of the world. Each country was represented by shops, restaurants and individual villages or pavilions showcasing a movie or exhibit.

Everything about The World Showcase was sensational. What interested the boys was the food. One day we had lunch at the beautiful

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San Angel Inn Restaurant in the Mexican pavilion. The menu offered authentic cuisine and the atmosphere was stunning as diners ate within a dark pyramid amid scenery of an erupting volcano.

One of the boys celebrated his birthday on our trip, so we had a special dinner at the three-star restaurant Chefs de France on the street corner of the cobblestone French promenade. The restaurant had an authentic French feeling.

Our waitress spoke heavily accented English, and one waiter spontaneously started singing a French barroom song. Other members of the staff joined in and it became quite lively. Also, a group of waiters and waitresses came to our table to sing both the French and English versions of Happy Birthday.

Reservations are a must for both these and the other restaurants within Epcot. These are made on the day of the meal at the World Key Information System screens in Earth Station at Epcot Center. The most popular seating times (5:30-7:30 p.m.) are usually booked by 10 a.m. so get there early.

One experience that shouldn't be

missed at Epcot is the nightly light show called IllumiNations. The show consists of fireworks, lasers, fountains, lights and music which, as the name implies, is keyed to the countries in the World Showcase.

The place to best see it is on the bridge overlooking the lagoon that separates Future World from World Showcase. It was a spectacular show for everyone and I was thankful the boys were old enough to stay up and appreciate it.

There were a couple of attractions within the Magic Kingdom that interested our teenagers. On the whole, though, this area for younger children.

First and foremost was Space Mountain. This is a roller-coaster ride in the dark within a futuristic looking white concrete and steel dome rising to a height of 180 feet. Needless to say, the boys rode this several times. Their mom and dad even rode it — once.

I think they also enjoyed Haunted Mansion, a special effects bonanza (it wasn't very scary, but fun nevertheless) and Pirates of the Caribbean, a boat ride through a pirate raid on a Caribbean town. I know they also enjoyed the Diamond

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Horseshoe Jamboree, a western dance hall saloon show for which reservations are required. To get them you must go to the Hospitality House on Main Street in the Magic Kingdom as it opens in the morning.

The attractions at Typhoon Lagoon, a spectacular water park offering water slides, snorkeling, a scenic, lazy river ride and a wave pool, was yet another part of Disney World our teens enjoyed. It should be noted that Typhoon Lagoon is a separate attraction with its own admission.

Also, the Disney-MGM Studios offered a lot for everyone. One of the things the kids really liked was the Indiana Jones Stun Spectacular, but there are many more things to see here too.

One important point: We got up at 7:30 a.m. every day so we could enter the parks in the opening hours. This was crucial, especially in the hot and crowded summer months. Knowing how teenagers like to sleep, it was essential to have their cooperation on this point.

They were groggy as we started out in the morning but quickly got into the spirit of things. They were gratified later when they saw the lines outside exhibits we'd walked right through. Actually, everything at Disney World is so lovely it was impossible to stay sleepy for long.

A guidebook to Disney World, available at public libraries and book stores, is a good thing to have when planning a trip. There is so much to see and do that it was truly

helpful to be somewhat prepared and have useful information about making reservations and knowing all the events.

It's a good idea, too, to talk to a friend who has recently visited Disney World. Also, brochures are available at travel agencies or by writing Walt Disney World, P.O. Box 10000, Lake Buena Vista, FL 32830, 407-824-4321.

After exploring all that Disney World had to offer, we journeyed east down Route 528 to the coastal town of Cocoa Beach. (Do bring lots of change for the tolls.)

We stayed at Sea Esta, a unique cluster of apartment suites directly across the street from the Atlantic Ocean. Our suite consisted of two bedrooms, a bath, a living room with sofa bed, television and a kitchen and dinette area.

A delicious home-made breakfast was served daily on the patio! Pancakes served with a tasty banana sauce and syrup, scrambled eggs, home-baked bread and muffins and an assortment of fresh fruits and beverages. A dessert was also presented every morning: Chocolate

cheesecake with cherry topping, chocolate-chip cookies and fruit cobbler.

Additionally, Sea Esta provided bicycles, chairs for the beach, towels, boogie boards, and surfboards. All were free of charge to guests.

One spot not to be missed if you have teen-agers is Ron Jon's. This large store carries everything from T-shirts to surfboards. If it's for the beach, Ron Jon's will have it.

Cocoa Beach is only a short distance down the coast from Kennedy Space Center. We were told we'd be able to view launches right from the beach. We made plans to visit Spaceport USA/Kennedy Space Center, but then decided to spend the day lounging around the pool and on the beach.

We found Sea Esta to be a delightful aftermath to four busy days and nights at Disney World. The unhurried pace, accessibility to the ocean and all the amenities made it perfect for us.

Our accommodations at Sea Esta were \$125 per night for the four of us. For information and reservations, write Sea Esta, 686 S. Atlantic Ave., Cocoa Beach, FL 32931-2540 or call 800-872-9444.

'Junk' fans Philly museum officials are home-grown

Elaine Wilner grew up in Franklin Village and spent her childhood exploring "the junk" at Henry Ford Museum, so it seems quite fitting that she should now be public relations director for the Franklin Institute in Philadelphia.

Bill Booth graduated from Roeper City and Country School in Bloomfield Hills and discovered museum life while working as a volunteer at Cranbrook. He is now the vice president of exhibits at the Franklin Institute.

Both of them are fans of the famed Philadelphia Mummers Parade and have the same advice: Be warmly dressed. "The parade goes on all day, from early morning to about nine at night, so people come and go," Booth said. "My favorite time to go is in the evening when the string bands are playing and the costumes get wild!"

How did two Oakland County kids grow up to be executives at the Franklin Institute?

"My dad's idea of Sunday afternoon fun was to go to the silent



crossroads
Iris Jones

movies at Henry Ford Museum," Elaine said. "If the movies got boring, we'd say 'Dad can we go see the junk.' That's what we called all those cars and trains at the museum."

"Whenever I walk into the train room here at Franklin Institute and see our 101-foot-long Baldwin locomotive, I always think of those Sundays in Dearborn." Elaine's parents, Cella and Herman Chapin, still live in Franklin Village.

Elaine graduated from Groves High School in Birmingham and met her husband, Evan Wilner, at the University of Michigan. His

parents, I.A. and Sarah Wilner, live in Bloomfield Hills.

Evan is now the public advocate of Delaware, so Elaine lives in Wilmington and commutes to Philadelphia. She often talks about Michigan with Bill Booth, who graduated from the University of Michigan as a teacher but fell in love with museums when he ran day camps for fifth graders at Cranbrook Institute of Science.

He applied for an internship from the Associated Science Technology Centers, the trade association of science museums, and was accepted by Franklin Institute in Philadelphia.

Franklin Institute is the oldest science museum in America, founded in 1824 by a group of men who admired Ben Franklin. Its original purpose was to convey science information to tradesmen.

"There were a number of institutes for the mechanical arts up

and down the east coast in post-colonial times," Elaine said. "The Franklin Institute is the only one that survived. In 1933 we became a hands-on science museum, the first of its kind in the country, although hands-on museums are very popular today."

1990 was the 200th anniversary of Ben Franklin's death, so there were lots of celebrations in Philadelphia. The Institute has the Ben Franklin National Memorial, a huge rotunda attached to the science museum. There is a big statue of Ben Franklin in the middle and exhibits around the periphery. A new addition this year is the Future Center, which has eight exhibits on science and technology.

The Institute is on the Ben Franklin Parkway, which runs from the art museum to the Institute to the historic district. Booth's advice to potential travelers is to walk the compact city and eat in the hundreds of ethnic restaurants.

Mummers Parade is a hit in Philadelphia

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An equalizer of humanity, the parade brings together earthy, blue-collar workers and upper-crust socialites. The excitement, the pageantry, the camaraderie and raw irreverence make the Mummers Parade an unforgettable event.

Grandstand tickets are available for purchase by contacting the Philadelphia Convention and Visitor's Bureau, 800-321-WKND, during business hours. The Bureau can furnish information on hotels that line the parade route. These are considered choice accommodations and are usually booked far in advance.

Heavy rains, high winds or sleet can ruin costly costumes and cause injury to marchers and viewers. When these inclement conditions strike, the parade is traditionally

postponed to the Saturday after New Year's Day.

The mummer experience is still available even if you can't attend on New Year's Day. During April, member clubs of the String Band Association will perform the "Show of Shows," an indoor best-of presentation in full costume. Individual clubs also hold fund-raising concerts throughout the year. For information call 215-823-7327; for tickets 215-823-7403.

Colorful parade sights and sounds can be experienced any time you're in Philadelphia by visiting The Mummers Museum, Two Street and Washington Avenue, a permanent public display of the history and tradition of Philadelphia mummery. For museum information, call 215-336-3050.

travel notes

Honeymooners sought

The Caribe Hilton & Casino in San Juan, Puerto Rico is conducting a nationwide search for couples who spent their honeymoon at the hotel in 1950.

If there are any couples in our reader area who fit that description and are still married, the hotel invites you back to enjoy a "Recapture the Memory" island return in June 1991.

Each couple is invited to stay for three nights in a beautiful ocean-view room for the same price they paid in 1950, \$14 per room per night. They will also receive a complimentary bottle of wine and have their photograph taken as a keepsake of their second honeymoon anniversary stay at the Caribe Hilton.

Couples must be able to prove they honeymooned at the Caribe Hilton in 1950. The \$14 per night offer is subject to availability and certain restrictions apply. For more information and reservations contact Maria Elena Perez at 809-721-0303.

Irish clans

The Irish Genealogical Office in Dublin, Ireland, has opened an office for The Clans of Ireland to assist those researching their roots, and to promote family reunions in Ireland.

A network of heritage research centers have been set up around the country to help visitors trace their ancestry. Local records are computerized at each center and available for a fee. Future plans include a national network to cover all available data.

Fully operational centers are located in Claire, Leltrim, Limerick and Sligo. Twenty-three other centers provide partial information.

For the brochure "Tracing Your Ancestors" write: Irish Tourist Board, 757 Third Ave., New York, NY 10017. For information on clan gatherings in Ireland contact The Clans of Ireland, Genealogical Office, 2 Kildare St., Dublin 2, Ireland, or phone 01-761-8811 (ext. 410).

British home hosting

Wessex Heritage, an English tour operator, now offers a home hosting service for groups or individuals traveling to Great Britain.

Home hosting gives tourists a taste of the British home life with lunch, afternoon tea, or dinner provided in a hospitable British family home. Hosts are carefully selected and are known to have interests in overseas travelers. The program includes transportation to and from the hotel in pre-paid taxis and gifts for the host. This can be arranged

according to each client's wishes.

The 1991 schedule: Afternoon tea in Bath (Avon) with other meals available on request; lunch, afternoon tea and dinner in Inverness (Scotland); lunch and afternoon tea in London; lunch, afternoon tea and dinner in Winchester (Hampshire). Prices vary according to occasion and special requests. For more information write Sally Inebald, managing director, Wessex Heritage, St. Peters, Cattistock, Dorchester, Dorset DT2 0JD, or call (0300)20871 or (0300)21082, fax (0300)21042.

America creates

"America Creates: 200 Years of Patents and Copyrights" will be showcased through Feb. 19 at Chicago's Museum of Science and Industry. In the two centuries since the passage of the first American patent and copyright laws, some 28 million inventions, books, songs, maps, movies and other creative works have been patented in the United States.

This exhibit gives visitors a look at the complex process of innovation and at thousands of patents associated with inventions like the sewing machine, the sneaker and other products. The museum is located at 57th Street and Lake Shore Drive. Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and holidays. The museum is open every day of the year except Christmas day and is handicapped accessible. Admission is free.

Let's go skiing

During January's "Let's Go Skiing, Michigan" promotion, some 30 participating ski areas will offer free beginner lessons and beginner-area lift tickets to those who preregister for "Learn to Downhill Ski Free Day," Friday, Jan. 18. "Silver Streak Week," Jan. 28 to Feb. 1, offers individuals 55 years and older free downhill and cross-country skiing at 46 ski areas across Michigan. Free brochures listing the participating ski areas can be obtained by calling 800-5432-YES.

Northwest Michigan

Winter vacationers who want information about lodging, skiing and driving conditions for the Petoskey, Harbor Springs and Boyne City areas can call the Boyne Country Convention and Visitors Bureau toll-free (800-845-2828) for up-to-date reports. The bureau can mail callers a number of free brochures regarding lodging, skiing and other seasonal activities and attractions.

McMichigan winter fun

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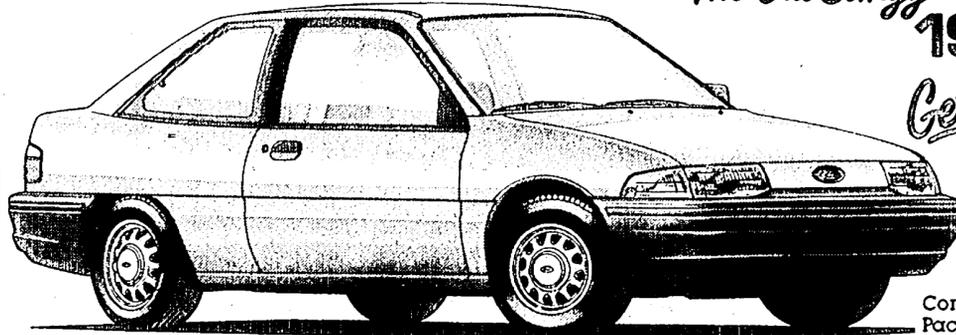
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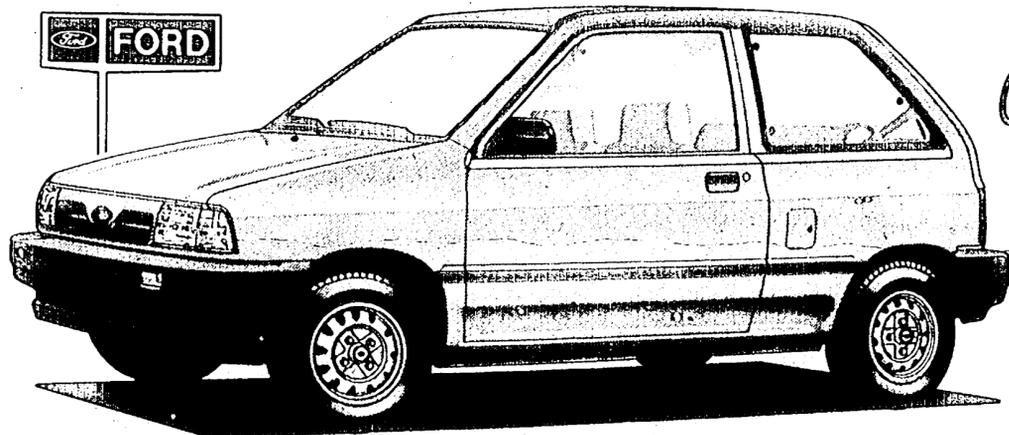
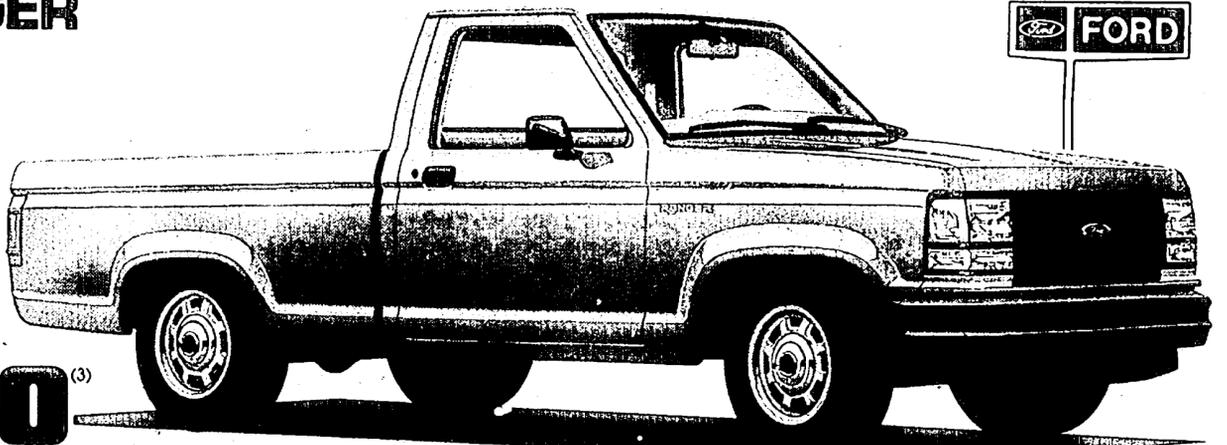
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Glassblower practices an age-old craft

By Keely Wygonik
staff writer

ON THE surface, glassblower Don Schneider seems all showman. A wizard of the elements who, by the light of a flickering flame, pulls, turns and twists glass to make it perform the way he wants.

It's more difficult than it looks, and Schneider, 41, who describes himself as a furnace working glassblower and lampworker, is more artist than showman.

Schneider learned his craft the old-fashioned way, at Greenfield Village. He started out as a rug hooker, but got hooked on glass blowing after he and the village glassblower became friends.

"He talked me into taking his class. I just got fascinated with it. After my third piece, he told me I'd be working at the village. And I did, two years later in 1976 during the bicentennial celebration."

A year later, Schneider left, but his village training gave him a solid foundation to build on. From reproductions of Early American tableware, he progressed to lampworked beads and one-of-a-kind furnace worked pieces of glass.

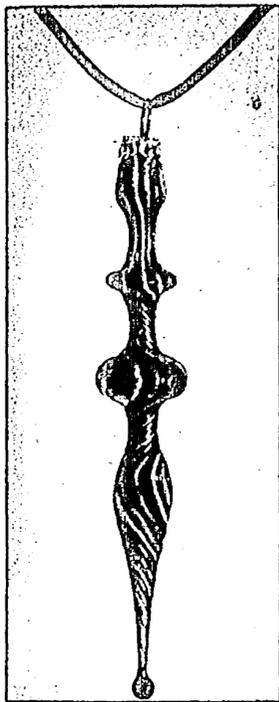
SCHNEIDER SPECIALIZES in two kinds of glass work: Lampwork, reheating glass rod and tubing in front of a flame to change its shape; and furnace work, pulling molten glass from a furnace and blowing it into shape.

—He divides his time between studios in Plymouth and the Fox Tower Glassworks in Beulah, Mich., behind the Brookside Inn. And some of his time is spent on the road, doing demonstrations at gift shops, art museums and the Detroit Science Center.

"When people tell me it looks so easy, I know I'm having a good day. It's a lot harder than it looks," said Schneider, who doesn't mind answering questions from the half circle of people gathered around him.

IT WAS during one of these trips that he was introduced to ancient glass beads.

"I was at the Toledo Art Museum and they took me into the glass studios room and showed me glass beads that dated back to 4500 B.C. I was fascinated by how sophisticated they were. They were the high art of the



Swirls of colored glass cover a spiral-shaped Christmas ornament designed by glassblower Don Schneider.

day. More valuable than gem stones."

Schneider calls his beads the expressive part of his lampwork. Three of them were featured in an article about American glass beadmakers in the fall issue of Ornament magazine.

THE WORK is labor intensive. Although it takes an average of 20 minutes to make a bead, Schneider might spend up to two days preparing the glass for beadmaking.

He starts out with clear core, which is formed into a bead by slowly rotating it in front of a flame.

To add color, he heats a colored rod and applies it to the clear tube by rotating it in front of the flame, allowing the color to preheat, soften and stick to the bead.



Plymouth glassblower Don Schneider rotates a piece of glass tubing over a flame to make a bead.

Sometimes, he decorates the bead, adding other colors to give it a zig-zag effect. Or, he adds millefiori made by fusing four to five glass rods together into layers.

The tip of the heated millefiori is placed against the bead to make the design that resembles a flower.

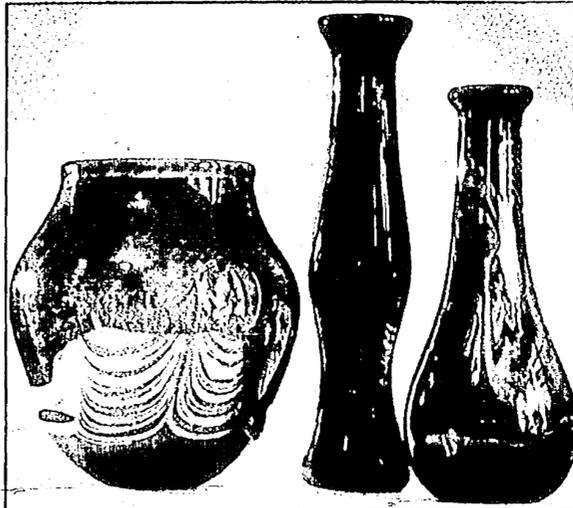
Millefiori translated means "a thousand flowers." No two are alike and Schneider often applies clear glass over the millefiori to magnify the design.

Most of the glass he uses for his lampwork is of the Pyrex type, the same kind your kitchen casserole dishes are made of.

THE FURNACE work is different because he makes his own glass.

"It's a very magical process. You process dry powders that look like cake mixes to make molten glass. Because I have complete control

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Left: At Fox Tower Glassworks in Beulah, Mich., glassblower Don Schneider creates vases like these from molten glass. When thermally active glass is reheated, the metals surface, creating interesting colors and patterns.

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Career musician finds work invigorating

By Cathleen Collins Leo
special writer

After 32 years with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, you might think Salvatore Rabbio, principal timpanist, would be counting the days until retirement.

But Rabbio, 56, doesn't feel he is at the end of anything. Rather, the Farmington Hills resident thinks he is on the threshold of a wonderful new stage in the life of the orchestra.

For Rabbio, that new era is marked by the orchestra's music director, Neeme Jarvi, and its new home at Orchestra Hall.

"It is brand new and so exciting to be working with Jarvi," Rabbio said.

"He creates that excitement and that love for making great music. I've been there so many years that you have to be pretty darn good to make me feel that excitement. But it's like plugging a light into a socket."

Rabbio is also delighted with Orchestra Hall.

"Ford Auditorium was an absolute musical nightmare," he said. "When you're at Orchestra Hall, you know that this is a hall built strictly for making music. When you arrive, you feel that there couldn't be a better place to show off your craft. And it's absolutely beautiful; the more you look, the more you see."

RABBIO WAS interviewed at one

of his favorite places, the screened-in porch he built on the back of his home last summer. The simple porch, made of wood and decorated in yellow and white, looks out on an acre.

There is plenty of room to garden, grow tomatoes and putter around, all activities that offer him a break from the intense concentration required by music.

Rabbio and his wife, Nina, share this home and its quiet, almost country setting. Inside, the many framed museum posters reflect their interest in art; they visit museums wherever the orchestra travels. A wind chime made of ceramic treble clefs hangs opposite the front door. Their

two children, a daughter and son, are grown.

Pausing between an orchestra meeting and an evening performance, Rabbio is warm and relaxed. He explains that it is a mystery to him how he became involved in music. And it was just a lucky accident that led him to the drums.

RABBIO'S PARENTS immigrated from Italy at a young age. When they met and married, they worked hard to make a living. There wasn't any room for music.

But when Rabbio was in junior high school, he had an opportunity to sign up for band.

"Now my parents, being of Italian origin, said I should take up the ac-

cordion," he recalls with a smile. "One musician can be a whole orchestra!" they told me.

"So I reluctantly signed up for accordion, but all the accordion classes were filled up. I ran home pretty quick and said, 'How about drums?' I don't know how I knew to choose the drums. It's a gift from upstairs that I'll always be grateful for."

Rabbio played the jazz drums in the marching band through high school. But when he started at Boston University, he happened to hear a recording of Beethoven's Fifth Symphony on an old 78. He was never quite the same again.

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Salvatore Rabbio
principal timpanist

Historic sites provide captivating peek into our past

TRACKING HISTORIC footprints in Observerland:

• It's steeped in history.

And I thoroughly enjoyed my visit to the Hill House for the Livonia Historical Society's annual holiday party Dec. 9.

The Hill House, in Livonia's Greenmead Historical Village at Elght Mile and Newburgh, looked terrific in its patriotic holiday setting.

The Greek Revival-style house, a national historic site, dates back to 1841. That's when Livonia Township pioneer Joshua Simmons commissioned Farmington architect Sergius P. Lyon, husband of his niece Lucinda, to design and build it.

The landmark home was the Simmons' third residence on their 160-

acre farm, Meadow Brook.

The prosperous farm was a testament to the pioneering spirit of Simmons. He brought his new wife, Hannah Macomber, here from Bristol, N.Y., when he was just 25 and built a three-sided log shanty.

The farmste, including a farmhands house built in the 1830s, stayed in the Simmons family until 1915.

In 1920, Sherwin and Jean Hill acquired the farmste to raise dairy cattle. They renamed it Greenmead, after her childhood home in Ballimore. They also hired noted architect Marcus Burrows to remodel the main farmhouse.

A master builder, Simmons built a barn at Greenmead that's still standing. He built the first frame barn in



Bob Sklar

Plymouth in 1827 for Erastus Starkweather. And he hewed timber for the first mills in Plymouth and Farmington townships.

Simmons also built farmhouses for each of his three sons. The Lawrence Simmons House, built in 1861, still stands northwest of 12 Mile and Farmington Road, in Farmington Hills. It, too, was designed by Lyon.

"The handsome Victorian-style, stone house displays seven different

gingerbread designs in the trim," the state historic marker on the front lawn tells us.

Lawrence lived there 12 years, including the period of the Civil War.

• It's called Sleepy Hollow.

But the Farmington Hills crossroads was a bustling village by the 1830s. Over the next century, it was home to three mills, a cooper's shop, a soap factory, a shoemaker's shop, stores, a slaughterhouse, a tannery, churches, a school and a cemetery that's now a historic site.

The miller's cottage and the cooper's house still stand across Drake. The cottage was moved across the stream in 1988 to accommodate road paving.

First came a gristmill, the first in Farmington Township. In 1827, Ed-

ward Steele built the mill on the banks of the Rouge after journeying from East Bloomfield, N.Y.

When J. T. Little bought the gristmill in the 1840s, he renamed it Pernambuco after a Brazilian port he'd visited as a sailor. The surrounding valley became known as Pernambuco Hollow. Pernambuco Flour was popular in Detroit.

Peter Hardenbergh bought the mill in 1868. His family made flour until 1888.

In the millpond, west of Drake, "youngsters fished and swam in summer and skated in the winter. Floods in 1904 and 1908 broke the millpond dam, which was not repaired," a city historic marker at Drake and Howard roads tells us.

The Wadenstorers bought the mill

in 1902 and converted it to a cider, flour and feed mill. They dismantled it in 1936 and Sleepy Hollow became a memory.

• Soon after Henry Ford I and Clara Bryant were married in 1888, he built their Honeymoon House in Dearborn. The two-story, one-bedroom house boasts timber cut and saved at his sawmill.

Clara designed the specs for the kitchen, sitting room, parlor and bedroom.

Henry "added his workshop, where he often experimented with gasoline engines," according to a state historic marker outside the house, moved to Beechwood Avenue in downtown Garden City in 1952.

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Year yielded a bookshelf full of news

Looking back at the book world in 1990:

• **January** — The American Booksellers Association sponsored a national poll revealing that about 40 percent of the adult population in the U.S. either gave or received books for Christmas 1989. The poll backed up claims from bookstore owners that the holiday book business was brisk, despite dire media predictions that sales would slump. Sound familiar?

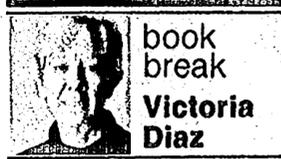
• **February** — The poetry of Robert Hayden was celebrated at a four-day conference at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. The conference marked the 10th anniversary of the Detroit poet's death. It included readings by Gwendolyn Brooks, Michael Harper and Rita Dove. Considered one of America's finest modernists, Hayden was elected a Fellow of the Academy of American Poets during his lifetime. He also served as a poetry consultant at the Library of Congress.

• **March** — The National Book Critics Circle Award for fiction went

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to E.L. Doctorow for his novel, "Billy Bathgate." In the general non-fiction category, Michael Dorris received the award for "The Broken Cord," a story centering on his adopted Native American son, born with fetal alcohol syndrome.

• **April** — Twelve years after a class-action fraud suit was initially filed, Vantage Press, the country's largest vanity press, was ordered to pay \$3.5 million in punitive damages. More than 2,000 writers were



book break
Victoria Diaz

represented in the suit. Some of the writers testified that Vantage made no real effort to sell or promote their books, even when they received orders for the books.

Subsequently, the jury decided that Vantage had not fulfilled its role as a publisher, and the decision resulted in a legal definition of a publisher: "an entity in the business of making books and written material generally available and (one that) makes a good-faith effort to distribute books to bookstores."

Will Vantage and other vanity presses be adversely affected by the decision? Don't hold your breath.

• **May** — Critically acclaimed author Walker Percy ("Lancelot,"

"The Moviegoer," etc.) died near Lake Pontchartrain, La.

• **June** — Popular novelist Irving Wallace ("The Chapman Report," "The Word," etc.) died in New York.

Grand Rapids crime writer Tom Kakonis ("Michigan Roll" and "Crisis Cross") found himself \$235,000 richer after Dutton outbid at auction his original publisher, St. Martin's, for his next two novels.

• **July** — Olive Ann Burns, author of "Cold Sassy Tree," died at her home near Atlanta after a long illness.

• **August** — Elmore "Dutch" Leonard's "Get Shorty" was published. Set against a backdrop of Hollywood sleaze, Leonard's latest crime thriller received more applause from critics, and shortly made its appearance on bestseller lists across the country.

• **September** — After much controversy over the past several months, a bipartisan commission (set up by Congress) to review the National Endowment for the Arts, recommended that content restrictions not be placed on works of art

supported by the NEA.

The commission also recommended that the NEA rescind its requirement that grant recipients pledge in writing that their funded work will not be "obscene." The group, however, did suggest that federally funded arts programs should be "sensitive to the nature of public sponsorship."

• **October** — Barnes & Noble opened a new "superstore" at Hampton Village Center in Rochester Hills. The Rochester Hills bookstore was the second of a projected 20-30 such stores across the nation (the first opened Sept. 6 near Minneapolis St. Paul). About 100,000 titles will be available to customers in the 15,000-square-foot area. Regional manager Marc Winkelmann said selection and customer service will be the watchwords in the new venture.

Ze'ev Chafetz' "Devil's Night: And Other True Tales of Detroit" was published by Random House amidst much wailing, gnashing of teeth and general brouhaha in and around the Motor City.

• **November** — Speaking of brouhaha, Simon & Schuster, report-

edly after pressure from high management and concerned about bad taste and moral offensiveness, canceled official publication of Bret Easton Ellis' "American Psycho," even as the hardcover copies waited to be shipped to bookstores. Within 48 hours, Ellis' novel, which apparently contains super-explicit murder scene after murder scene, was snapped up by Vintage Books, which promises to publish it early next year. Ellis gets to keep the \$300,000 advance he'd received from Simon & Schuster, by the way.

• **December** — H.G. Bissinger, author of "Friday Night Lights," canceled a book signing at an Odessa, Texas, bookstore because of a death threat. Bissinger's bestseller focuses mainly on Odessa's obsession with high school football and its homegrown teen heroes.

"I don't perceive (the book) as an indictment of the people of Odessa," Bissinger said.

Apparently, at least one football fanatic disagreed.

Victoria Diaz is a Livonia-based book reviewer.

Light affects color; color affects feelings

Q: Does the quality of light in a room influence color? I am wondering what are the most flattering colors to wear for an evening that begins with a well-lit cocktail party and ends up in a soft candlelight, or even a darker disco setting? It appears to me that some colors look nice in brighter light but make me look lallow when the lights are low. Am I imagining this?

A: Your observations about how color can shift its appearance are not the product of your imagination. Some of the best color researchers have analyzed what happens to our perception of color under various lighting conditions. They've concluded that color will maintain its original appearance within a wide range of light levels.

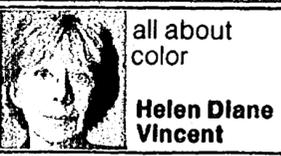
But as the level of light becomes much dimmer, as it would in candlelight or at a disco, the blue and blue-green shades actually increase their value, or intensity, while the warm colors, such as red, decrease their value. However, it takes almost total darkness for white not to be perceived as white.

How you translate this phenomenon to your own advantage is to wear evening clothes in soft aqua and teal on those occasions you know you'll be moving from the

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clear slightly bluer light of a cocktail party into the very yellow-red light of candles.

In any event, blue-greens flatter most skin tones. Also, avoid too much sequins, which only look good in very dim light. Should you decide to wear red or even black, frame your face with something white or any other pale color to catch the reflection of whatever light there is in a room. Actually reds, which are identified with the idea of brightness, darken considerably in dim light, and can appear to be nearly



all about color

Helen Diane Vincent

black in even a slightly darkened room.

Q: I'm newly divorced and about to face the Christmas holidays alone, for the first time in my life. At the same time, I'm starting to furnish a new apartment in addition to decorating for the holidays. The problem is I've never fully exercised my color and style preferences without adjusting to someone else's opinions. Particularly in regard to the decorations, I want to avoid a false sense of merriment that just might exaggerate my loneliness rather than alleviating it. What do you advise?

A: Any attempt to duplicate the colors from your former home is bound to enlarge the sense of loss because it will force you to look back at a point in your life where you ought to be looking forward.

On the other hand, compensating with overly cheerful color harmonies or unfamiliar styles will make

you feel like a stranger in your own home. Further, overdosing your favorite color isn't entirely satisfactory either because favorite colors, ironically, also represent a source of tension within your psyche.

Knowing all of this, where can you turn? To achieve the most suitable environment at this time of your life, you have to look within and accept a wide range of colors, both most favorite, and just acceptable. Then you will have to acknowledge to what extent do these colors genuinely reflect your self, or to what extent are they derived from powerful advertising pressures, especially those that manipulate status drives.

Once you've thought this through, use as wide a range of final colors as well as can be accommodated into a harmonious interior scheme. The goal is to achieve a balanced color harmony open to new possibilities and future changes. You will need to create an environment for yourself that allows you to grow from this point, outwards.

Once your overall color scheme is established, try to coordinate your Christmas decorations as closely as possible to these colors. Don't just think of the traditional bright reds and greens, as nice as they are. More than likely, you've had this type of

decoration in your former married life.

Take a look at what some of our local department stores are showing for the holidays. J. L. Hudson, in particular, has coordinated key home furnishings color and style trends in fully dressed Christmas trees. They even have the popular Southwest, or Santa Fe look, represented in a tree arrangement. Another one used the

rose and soft teal shades accented by gold sculptured papier mache ribbons.

Of course, an important ingredient will be to invite friends to see what you've accomplished and share in the holiday spirit.

Helen Diane Vincent is a Troy-based furnishings writer.

Symphony 'so exciting'

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"I was hearing these wonderful sounds," he said. "To me classical music has a more deep-rooted, sensitive feeling. And if you want to hone your skills, you can't do both (jazz and classical music)."

RABBITO LEARNED to play all the orchestra percussion instruments, including the timpani. In his senior year at Boston University, he won a competition to play a timpani solo with the Boston Pops.

After graduating, he worked with the Pops for a year. And when he had a chance to join the DSO, which had an impressive national and international reputation, as principal timpanist, he jumped at it.

Even though he has played Beethoven's Fifth hundreds of times since then, Rabbio's love for classical music hasn't dimmed. He has shared that enthusiasm and his many years of experience with younger musicians by teaching at the university level.

He taught at Wayne State University for 21

years as director of the percussion division and now teaches one day a week at the University of Michigan. But even though Rabbio finds college students today are better prepared in a technical sense, he often thinks something is missing.

"Everything is in place and in order, but it's not musical because it's not coming from inside," he said. "There's no worth or beauty."

"It's happening to the world in general. No one thinks for himself anymore, it's all mechanical. But live music is not mechanical. It's the difference between music making and great music making."

GREAT MUSIC is what Rabbio thinks the DSO is about these days. The main ingredients, he believes, are Jarvi's skill and enthusiasm and his rapport with the orchestra.

"We've had very well-known conductors work with us, and the chemistry just wasn't there," he said. "Jarvi shows his honesty on the podium, his love for what he's doing. His attitude is, 'Let's really make music. Show me your stuff.'"

"You can see the audience respond," he added.

"You get the audience jumping to its feet." The audience has responded just as dramatically to Orchestra Hall, which reopened last season and was just completed this season.

"I've had patrons tell me, 'I've been coming to the symphony for 25 years, and I just really heard you for the first time,'" Rabbio said. "All the sections blend into one glorious sound just coming at you."

All of these developments have made playing with the symphony very gratifying for Rabbio. And they don't leave much time for thinking about retirement.

"As long as it's exciting, why leave?"

He shapes glass

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over the chemistry, no one works with my glass."

With furnace work, Schneider starts with molten glass, which is gathered from the furnace, or glory hole, and blown into shape. What once looked like a pear, takes shape as a vase.

RECENTLY, HE has become interested in thermally active glass, which changes color when reheated.

In this process, Schneider attaches a vessel, such as a vase, to a rod, and puts it back into the furnace. Upon exposure, the metallic content of the applied glass surfaces to give the vessel a metallic effect.

The vessel is then put into an annealing oven to cool slowly so it doesn't crack.

"Furnace work is more meaningful than lampwork. I'm much more enthused about the furnace work. It's more exotic."

GLASS, NO matter what form, interests Schneider.

"It's endlessly fascinating material. It can be functional as in a drinking glass, or non-functional, as in a sculpture. It all amazes me, everything about it is wonderful."

"I just want to keep making beautiful things that people will want to buy so I can continue working."

Schneider can often be reached at the Brookside Inn, 115 North Michigan, Beulah, MI 49617, (616) 882-9688. His work can be found locally at the Michigan shop in Birmingham and during the holidays at the Detroit Artist's Market, in Harmony Park. Prices range from \$10 and up.

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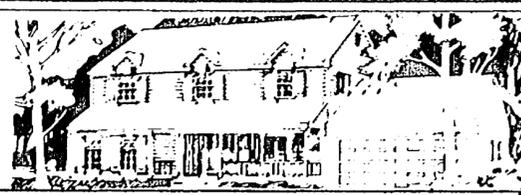
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CROSSWORD PUZZLER

- ACROSS**
- 1 Wine cups
 - 5 Greek letter
 - 8 Disease of cattle
 - 12 Utah's state flower
 - 14 God of love
 - 15 Old name for Tokyo
 - 16 Name of abstract being
 - 19 Three-toed sloth
 - 20 Keen
 - 21 Molter
 - 23 Sodium symbol
 - 24 Formal wear
 - 26 Musical instrument
 - 28 — of contents
 - 29 Possesses
 - 30 Perform
 - 32 Newspaper paragraph

- ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE**
- 33 Large cask
34 Clench with teeth
35 Moray
36 "Married to the..."
37 Inventor of telegraph
38 Verve
40 Caninos
41 Italian river
43 Negative prefix
44 Permits
45 Tin symbol
47 Arabian garment
49 Sun-dried brick
51 Expire
52 Donations
53 Jal
54 Fondle
57 Trial

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- DOWN**
- 1 On the ocean
 - 2 Ponder
 - 3 Time gone by
 - 4 Therefore
 - 5 Aches
 - 6 Location
 - 7 Chicago's st.
 - 8 French article
 - 9 Unit of Norwegian currency
 - 10 Joins
 - 11 Greek peak
 - 12 Baked clay
 - 13 Large
 - 14 Brightness
 - 15 Thin coating
 - 16 Silver
 - 17 Large
 - 18 Prohibit
 - 19 Dens
 - 20 Even score
 - 21 Center of activity
 - 22 Offer's
 - 23 2,000 lbs.
 - 24 Marshes
 - 25 Pertaining to the cheek
 - 26 37
 - 27 Roman 51
 - 28 Formal entrance into society
 - 29 South American rodent
 - 30 Old Greek coin
 - 31 Ear part
 - 32 Transgresses
 - 33 "Empty"
 - 34 Collection of facts
 - 35 Plunge
 - 36 Female deer
 - 37 Agave plant
 - 38 That thing

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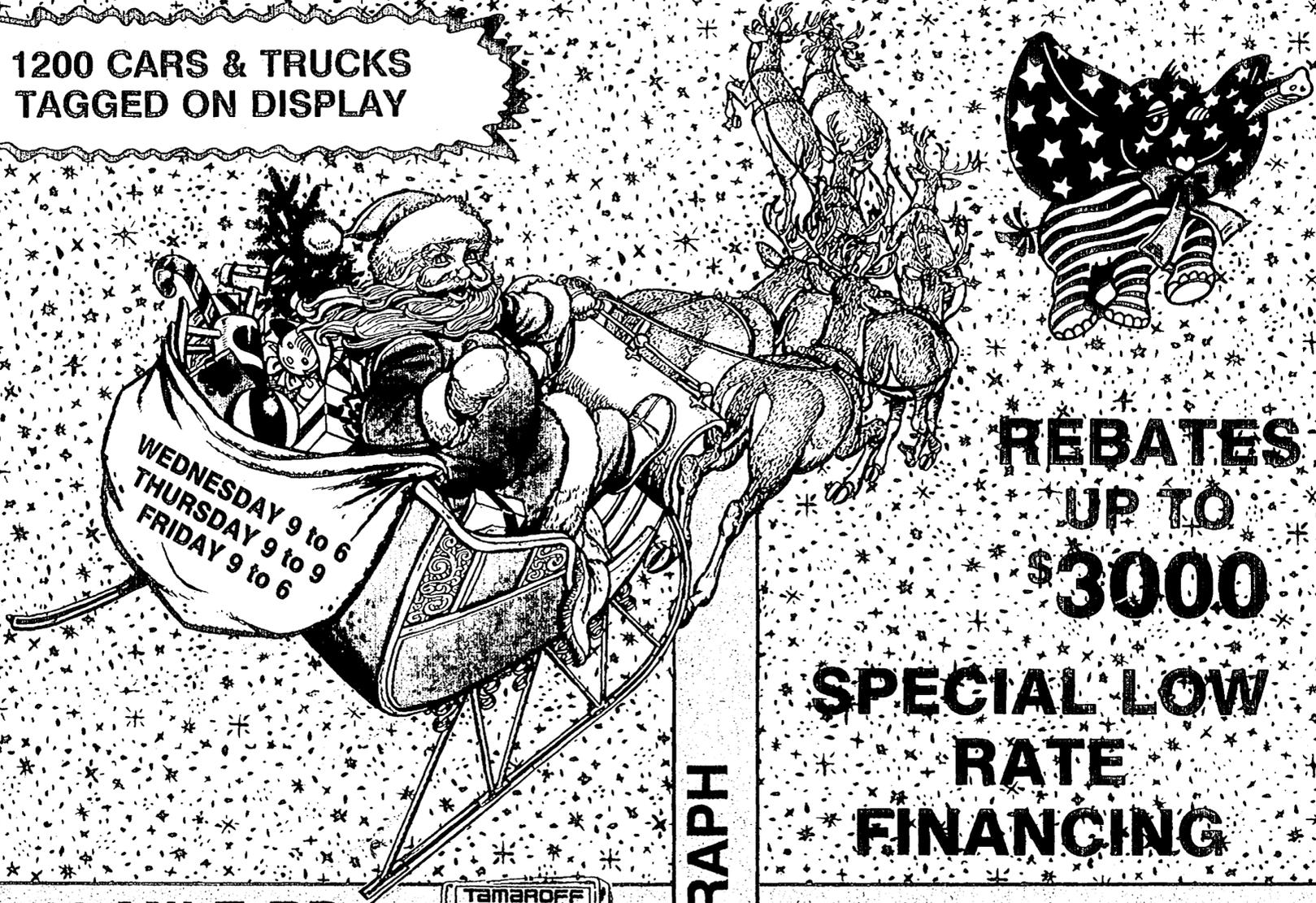
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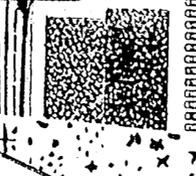
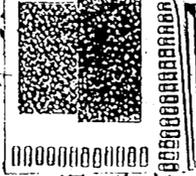
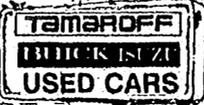
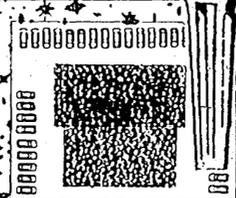
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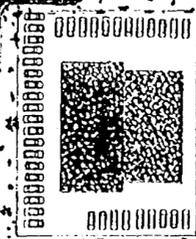
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Jimmy Kogut shows off his invention, the Equaliz-Air. One hose from an outside vent provides fresh air to the house through the cold air duct in the fur-

nace. The other hose places outside air near the furnace for the burning process.

Inventor battles building industry

By Doug Funke
staff writer

It... people aren't concerned about heating costs," Kogut said.

Jimmy Kogut of Livonia is a man with a vision impatiently waiting for the rest of the building industry to see the light.

SOME BUILDERS agreed with the concept, but then added that it was up to heating contractors to do the job, Kogut said. Contractors said they didn't need it.

Kogut has invented, patented and manufactured a product, Equaliz-Air, which he maintains will save heating dollars and efficiently introduce fresh air into houses and condominiums.

"I got a runaround," he said. So now Kogut makes the circuit of radio talk shows and newspapers, trying to take his message directly to the people.

All at a cost of less than \$100 to the individual consumer.

Kogut has his supporters, among them, Glenn Haege, a building expert who hosts a call-in advice show on WXYT Radio.

"It's gone nowhere," Kogut said. "I'm battling millions and millions of dollars spent by window companies, insulation companies to seal up homes. I tell them to put a hole in the wall."

"His product was way ahead of its time," Haege said. "Anything new people can't touch, see or feel they're very apprehensive about."

Kogut's invention consists of an aluminum vent mounted on an exterior wall of the house or condo. One plastic pipe from the vent connects directly to the cold air return of the furnace. Another leads to the furnace but isn't necessarily hooked up.

Outside air combustion source is an option builders should offer customers, Haege said. "It cuts down on drafts, which cuts down on heating bills."

THE PIPE plugged into the furnace replaces air to the house lost from kitchen or bathroom fans, dryers and fireplaces, Kogut said. The lagging pipe, or combustion pipe, affects the burning process.

THE TREND is toward outside air sources for combustion, said Tension Barry, assistant chief of the mechanical division, bureau of construction code, state labor department.

"It (combustion pipe) reduces air changes," Kogut said. "It's not using air in the house. It goes right from the pipe to the burner." That, in turn, keeps the rest of the house warm, reduces the number of times the furnace kicks on and saves money.

"We're building houses tighter and tighter," he said. "No outside air is coming in."

There are screens on the vent to keep insects out of the house and flappers controlled by pressure from the furnace blower, which open both pipes to allow outside air to enter only as needed.

A state amendment to the BOCA building code has mandated an outside combustion source on new houses since September 1989, Barry said. But he suspects that most municipalities haven't adopted the amendment.

EQUALIZ-AIR can be adapted to older houses or installed as houses are built.

"They have their own amendments, special needs," Barry said.

Kogut, a buyer for Ford Motor Co., started experimenting in the late 1970s and early '80s when he got caught up in the energy crunch. He patented Equaliz-Air in 1984 and went into production in 1988.

So why don't we see more fresh air pipes in new construction today?

The parts are made at a factory in Jackson and assembled in Kogut's basement. He figures he and his family sank some \$40,000 into the product before the first unit was stamped out. He's sold a couple of hundred.

"It's an old story with a lot of builders. They try to get as much profit out of a product as they can," said Mike Shorkey, president of Detroit Safety Furnace Pipe Co.

Kogut has tried without success to sell directly to major retailers and heating contractors.

"With construction and tightening today... they should absolutely consider putting in a make-up air unit," he said.

"They explained that people wouldn't understand

Kogut doesn't know why furnace manufacturers don't adapt similar systems to their original equipment, but he offered a theory.

"It's really like an accessory, a humidifier or electric air cleaner. I don't think furnace manufacturers are interested in accessories."

But Kogut expects that the tide will turn, probably in the next few years.

Antiques may be hazardous

(AP) — The idea these days is to use your decorative collectibles instead of just admiring them. Items like turn-of-the-century teddy bears, celluloid trays, colorful dishware and funky old radios and lamps are fun to use.

But beware. "Hazardous items show up more frequently than you might imagine," says Terry Kovel, an antiques commentator who tracks mishaps involving collectibles. An example is an early 20th century ceramic jug that contains radium. One manufacturer was Radium Ore Revigator Co.

"People were supposed to fill it with water and drink it for their health," Kovel says. "Now we know that radium is a carcinogen and these crocks shouldn't be kept, but recently I visited a house and there were two right in the dining room." Old watches with luminous radium dials are safe so long as they are covered with a crystal, but the naked dials are being used in some modern costume jewelry and can pose a hazard if worn frequently.

OTHER COLLECTIBLES to beware of are china and glass dishes made before 1950. Many have lead-based glazes. Used for display, they are fine. But don't serve or store food in them, Kovel advises in her new book, "Antiques & Collectibles Price List" (Crown, \$11.95). The book, written with her husband, Ralph, has a section on hazards associated with collectibles.

Celluloid, an early form plastic with a shiny beige-yellow color that makes it look like yellowed ivory, was used in making everything from dolls to dresser trays. It is flammable when overheated and gives off a sour, vinegar-like odor when it starts to break down. Items should be thrown away when this happens, she says, because there's no way to reverse the deterioration.

Collectibles were undoubtedly responsible for only a fraction of the 22,500 deaths and 3.4 million disabling injuries suffered in home accidents in 1989, says Robert L. O'Brien, public relations director of the National Safety Council in Chicago. Still, it pays to beware of potential dangers.

Tack small rugs to the floor or place them over a foam rubber

pad to keep them from sliding. Don't store foodstuffs in old medicine bottles, even if you wash them first, and flush down the toilet any medication found in them.

DON'T USE SMALL electric appliances that are more than 30 years old. Wiring could be frayed, they could be poorly grounded and inadequately shielded, and they might contain asbestos.

If you have antique firearms, be sure they are not loaded and never allow children to play with them. Items children might play with or use are of greatest concern. Old toys with lead-based paint or sharp edges and stuffed toys with easily-removed glass eyes on metal pins which can be swallowed are hazards.

Old nursery furniture such as cribs also can pose hazards. They may have lead-based paint which can be poisonous if swallowed. Decorative cut-outs and slats can cause suffocation if they are spaced far enough apart so an infant can squeeze his head through. Make sure a mattress goes all the way to the edges of the crib, and don't allow active children to use old high chairs and cradles which are easily tipped, safety experts advise.

Use the same caution for antiques and collectibles that you would use for new items, said Dan Rumelt, acting public affairs director of the Consumer Product Safety Commission in Washington.

While collectibles have the potential to hurt you, it's more likely that you'll damage them through improper care, says Kovel.

Some common errors include washing ivory to make it white. The characteristic yellow patina of age is preferred by collectors, and washing can reduce its value by half. Cleaning and polishing coins is also a mistake since it reduces their value. And be sure real gold leaf is used if chipped gold leaf frames or other objects are relinished.

Dishwashers are a modern convenience, but they don't do well by some old dishware. Eventually, Kovel says, the gold designs on china and glass will fade if washed in the dishwasher. Don't put pottery or porcelain with thin black lines known as crazing in the dishwasher. The heat from drying can cause the remaining glaze to flake off.

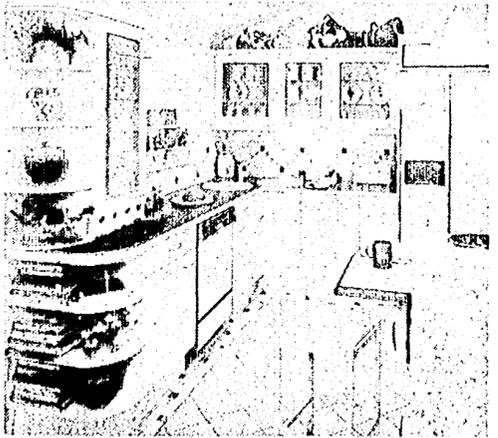
Everyone's need: more storage

(AP) — Nearly all homeowners share one common problem — lack of storage space. Regardless of the size of their house, it seems there is never enough room to store everything.

This is true especially for condominium owners and apartment dwellers. Somehow, the longer you live in the same place, the worse the problem gets. Fortunately, easy-to-build shelving systems offer an effective, inexpensive remedy for the do-it-yourselfer.

Shelving materials are available at lumber yards and home centers. Shelves are most commonly made from particleboard, plywood or solid lumber and are either 3/4 or 1 1/2 inches thick.

Edge treatments are often applied to shelves for appearance. They can conceal exposed plywood edges, add rigidity and increase the shelf's load capacity, or simply create a decorative detail to dress up the room.



No matter how big the house, additional storage space is always mentioned as a need

The exact shelf design you choose is determined by the weight of the items being stored and the look you desire. But remember, you might also want to store heavier items in the future, so it's always better to overbuild the shelves slightly to prevent sagging and possible collapse.

The maximum span for each shelf between supports varies with the load and the material. As a general rule, 3/4-inch particleboard 10 inches wide can handle a load of 30 pounds per linear foot with supports 24 inches apart. You can stretch this span to 32 inches for 3/4-inch plywood. If the shelf is reinforced with 2-inch-wide stiffener along the front edge and a 3/4- by 2- by 6-inch long support cleat under the rear of the shelf at the middle, you can increase these spans by 50 percent.

WHEN APPEARANCE is not the controlling factor — utility shelves in the basement, garage or workshop, for example — No. 2 common pine is quite suitable. This grade of pine has knots of various sizes, so be sure to handpick the boards carefully to avoid loose or oversized knots that would weaken the shelves. Note: If the pine is to be painted, first seal each knot with shellac to keep it from showing through.

Particleboard is the most economical shelving material and is often used under a plastic laminate. The disadvantage of particleboard is that it's heavy and tends to sag if it isn't supported properly.

When the look of fine hardwood shelves is desired, choose hardwood-veneer plywood. This cabinet-grade plywood is less expensive and lighter than solid hardwood and it's warp-free. Also, extra-wide plywood shelves are made easily without having to edge-join several boards together. Conceal the plywood's exposed edge with veneer tape, trim or a molding.

Shelves can be installed as permanent fixtures in the cabinet or as separate components that can be adjusted or removed, if necessary.

Large cabinets or cabinets without backs often have several adjustable shelves and one fixed shelf. This fixed shelf adds rigidity and strength to the assembly. Fixed shelves for small, lightweight cabinets can be attached with simple butt joints using glue and screws.

However, for a much stronger assembly, you should use dado joints — slots in the end supports — to install permanent shelves.

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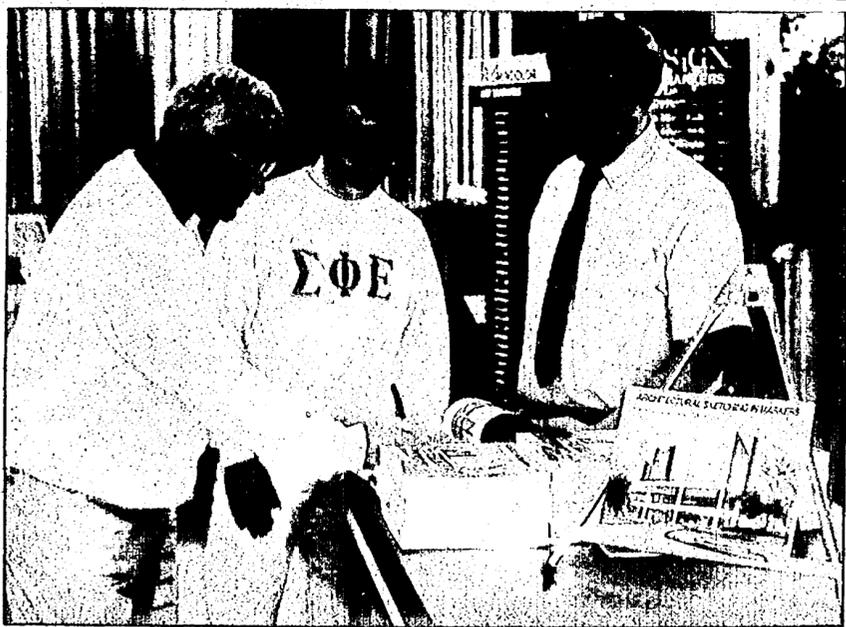
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On the book circuit

Roy Strickfaden of Southfield (left), a lecturer in architecture at Lawrence Technological University and owner of a design rendering practice, autographs a copy of "Architectural Sketching in Markers" for Chris Garrison (center), an LTU student, during the book's debut at Millers Artist Supplies in Farmington Hills. Waiting his turn to sign is

co-author Harold Linton, professor and director of freshmen studies at LTU's College of Architecture and Design. The book discusses how to analyze space, establish effective visual viewpoints, "tune in" color and use sketching to achieve results. It is aimed at architects, artists and graphic, interior and industrial designers.

Smoke detector primer

News story after news story tells of fire fatalities that might have been prevented if smoke detectors had been in use.

Smoke detectors make a shrill warning sound when exposed to smoke. Since they are relatively inexpensive and easy to install, there is no reason any home should be without them.

Here's some basic information on buying and using these life saving devices:

• "Ionization" detectors contain a tiny amount of shielded radioactive material. This material breaks air down into charged atoms through which a small current can flow. Smoke interrupts the flow of current which sets off the alarm. An ionization detector responds more quickly to the fumes of a fast-burning fire.

• "Photoelectric" detectors use a small light beam which impinges on a light-sensitive photocell. The alarm sounds whenever smoke interrupts the light beam. The light bulb producing the beam lasts about three years; then it must be replaced. A photoelectric type of detector gives a faster response to smoke from a smoldering fire. It is also less prone to false alarms from innocuous kitchen fumes.

Never turn off a smoke detector because you are cooking something that will cause it to sound off. It's too easy to forget to turn it on again.

EITHER TYPE of smoke detector may be powered by a battery (usually 9-volt) or house current. For effective use:

• Test your smoke detector about once a month to make sure it's operating properly.

To test, simply press the test button on the front of the unit. The alarm (a continuous blare) will sound as long as the test button is depressed. This test automatically checks the electronic circuit, horn and battery.

If the horn does not sound, replace the battery. If it still does not sound, have the detector repaired or replaced.

• When the smoke detector battery begins to weaken, it will sound a warning signal (usually intermittent

beeps or chirps). Replace the battery immediately following the manufacturer's directions.

• Clean your smoke detectors yearly to remove dust, grease and other soil.

WHERE TO locate:

• In halls leading to sleeping areas.

• At the heads of stairs leading to living areas.

• In your basement, but not too near the furnace.

• In the bedroom of any smoker in your family.

• On the same house level as your kitchen, but not too near your appliances since everyday cooking can easily set it off. Caution: Never turn off a smoke detector because you are cooking something that will cause it to sound off. It's too easy to forget to turn it on again.

• Away from air currents (vents or radiators, for example), dead air corners and ends of halls.

• On the ceiling at least 20 inches from all corners or walls.

• On walls, at least 12 inches from the ceiling and the nearest corner.

Note: Don't paint the detector. Painting clogs the holes and reduces its effectiveness.

Maintain storm windows

Snug-fitting, well-maintained storm windows and doors can do much to reduce heating bills. The space between the storm and prime windows, or between the storm and house doors, creates an insulating pocket of air that reduces heat loss to the outside.

Here are some tips for keeping

your storm doors and windows in top condition:

• If your aluminum storm windows and doors are unpainted, brush the frames with fine steel wool to remove oxidation once a year. Then apply a good automobile paste wax.

• Remove wood-sash storm windows periodically and repaint them.

This is important not just for looks but to prevent absorption of moisture that may cause swelling, warping and rotting.

• While a wood-sash storm window is out, before repainting, inspect it for damage.

• Reglue loose joints and reinforce them with corner plates available at your local hardware store.

• Replace crumbling or missing putty.

• Repair bent hardware. Inspect the hangers for loose or missing screws and damage to the bracket on the house or the hook on the storm sash.

• Check the interior fasteners to be certain they are all functioning properly.

• To paint all sides of the storm sash in one operation, install storm window hangers in a ceiling joist in your cellar or garage, and suspend the storm sash from it.

This lists recent commercial real estate transactions in Oakland and western Wayne counties. The first name listed is that of the buyer. The second name is that of the seller. Any transaction price followed by an * represents the price paid for more than one piece of property.

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Berkley

3295 Coolidge Commercial
Robert T. Ott
William J. Staudenraus
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Lathrup Village

27305 Southfield Road
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B. Chamberlain Trst.
\$500,000

Pontiac

235 W. Montclair Street
Commercial garage
Jenny E. Carter

Kenneth B. Bowman
\$28,551 *

288 W Montclair
Other commercial structures
Michael Boyer
Nancy S. Cruz
\$30,000

578 S. Paddock
Commercial warehouse
Theodore R. Plafchan
W.T. Andrew Co.
\$44,000

329 N. Saginaw
apartment 4-19 family
David C. Sebring Jr.
James T. Long
\$27,000

329 N Saginaw
Apartment 4-19 family
Saginaw Corp.
David C. Sebring Jr.
\$28,500

Waterford Township

Windlate
Industrial vacant land
Peter J. Henning
Sharon R. Lepley
\$78,000 *

WAYNE COUNTY

392 Main
Retail store detach (sm)

Richard McPhee
Greenspan Corp Inc.
\$35,000

Livonia

19849 Middlebelt
Commercial
Milton Montenegro
Rhoda Gross
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Sumpter Township

19465 Sumpter Road
Auto sales and service
Timothy Scott Laginess
Amos Johnson
\$50,000 *

Wayne

3216 Wayne
Dry cleaning or laundry
Clyde Pletz
Dorothy M. Riggs
\$100,000 *

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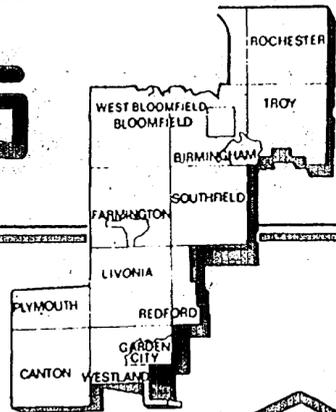
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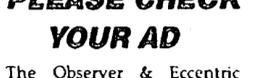
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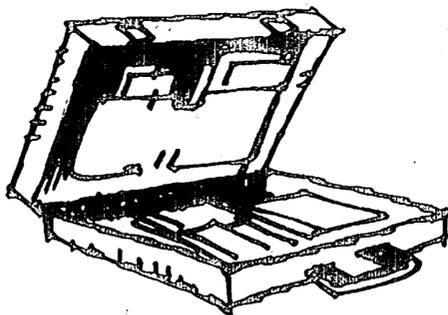
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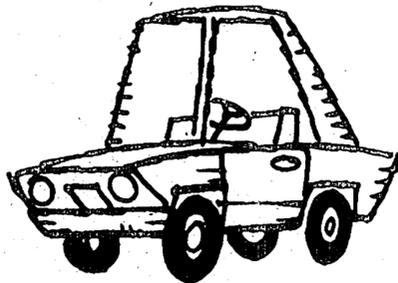
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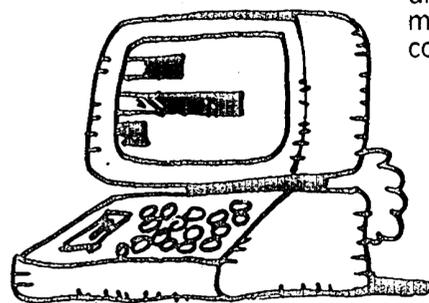
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**NEW 1991 TAURUS L
4 DOOR SEDAN**

**29
MPG**

Power steering and brakes, tinted glass, automatic transmission, air conditioning, AM/FM stereo, rear window defroster, speed control, power door locks, body side molding and courtesy lights, instrument cluster, intermittent wipers, exterior accent group, dual electric remote mirrors, child safety locks. Stock #6266.

WAS \$15,878
IS **\$11,942***

\$700 REBATE

**NEW 1990 FESTIVAL L
2 DOOR**

Rear window defroster, power brakes, BSM, console, gauges, courtesy lamps, reclining bucket seats, side window demister, stabilizing bar, rack & pinion steering. Stock #7614.

**42
MPG**

WAS \$6,861
IS **\$5,544***

\$600 REBATE

NEW 1991 TEMPO L

4 Door Sedan, power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, AM/FM stereo, automatic, air, body side molding, dual electric remote control mirrors, aluminum. Stock #6334.

**26
MPG**

WAS \$9829
IS **\$8,242***

\$600 REBATE

NEW 1991 TEMPO GL

4 Door Sedan, power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, automatic, air, power door locks, tilt steering, power windows, rear window defroster, light group, AM/FM stereo cassette, front & rear floor mats, dual electric controlled mirrors, center air rest, console, body side moldings. Stock #5898.

**26
MPG**

WAS \$12,734
IS **\$9,494***

\$600 REBATE

**NEW 1991 MUSTANG LX
2 DOOR HATCHBACK**

Power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, overdrive transmission, air conditioning, BSM, console light group, instrumentation, power door lock group, power windows, rear window defroster, cast aluminum wheels, custom equipment group, AM/FM stereo cassette, speed control, power equipment group, dual electric remote control mirrors. Stock #5076.

**30
MPG**

WAS \$13,559
IS **\$10,481***

\$500 REBATE

NEW 1991 ESCORT GT

2 Door hatchback, power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, air, premium sound system, luxury convenience group, rear window defroster, AM/FM stereo, tilt steering, speed control, tachometer, log traps, aluminum wheels, console, body side moldings, rear spoiler, light group sports performance. Stock #6084.

**31
MPG**

WAS \$13,227
IS **\$10,554***

\$600 REBATE

**NEW 1991 PROBE GL
2 DOOR HATCHBACK**

Power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, air conditioning, power door locks, speed control, rear window defroster, tilt steering column, convenience group BSM, console, performance instrumentation cluster, tachometer, AM/FM stereo & cargo area cover. Stock #6288.

**31
MPG**

WAS \$13,912
IS **\$11,343***

100 GALLONS OF FREE GAS**

\$500 REBATE

NEW 1991 ESCORT PONY

Power brakes, tinted glass, reclining bucket seats, console, cargo area cover. Rear window defroster, remote control mirrors, side window demister & interval wipers. Stock #5948.

**41
MPG**

WAS \$8501
IS **\$7171***

100 GALLONS OF FREE GAS**

\$500 REBATE

**NEW 1991 ESCORT LX
2 DOOR HATCHBACK**

Power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, body side molding, air conditioning, AM/FM stereo cassette, light group, convenience group. Rear window defroster, clear coat paint, console, reclining bucket seats & cargo area cover. Stock #5892.

**36
MPG**

WAS \$10,707
IS **\$8501***

100 GALLONS OF FREE GAS**

\$500 REBATE

NEW 1991 ESCORT HATCHBACK LX 4 DOOR

Power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, automatic, air, rear window defroster, clear coat paint, body side molding, console, AM/FM stereo, cargo area cover, reclining bucket seats, child safety locks. Stock #5480.

**33
MPG**

WAS \$10,636
IS **\$9191***

100 GALLONS OF FREE GAS**

\$500 REBATE

**NEW 1991 ESCORT LX
4 DOOR WAGON**

4 Door wagon, power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, automatic, air, rear window defroster, light group, convenience group, clear coat paint, console, body side moldings, cargo area cover, reclining bucket seats, child safety locks. Stock #5915.

**33
MPG**

WAS \$11,866
IS **\$9520***

\$1,000 REBATE

**NEW 1991 RANGER 4x2
STYLESIDE PICKUP**

XLT trim, power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, automatic transmission, air conditioning, AM/FM stereo, cast aluminum wheels, door-to-door, chrome front bumper, chrome rear step bumper, automatic transmission, air conditioning, cast aluminum wheels, tachometer, rear anti-lock brakes, cargo box light & spoiler, dome light & instrumentation, light group, interval wipers. Stock #6067.

**23
MPG**

WAS \$14,468
IS **\$10,277***

\$1,000 REBATE

**1991 RANGER 4x2
SUPER CAB**

XLT trim, rear jump seat, power steering & brakes, tinted glass, AM/FM stereo cassette, sliding rear window, chrome front bumper, chrome rear step bumper, automatic transmission, air conditioning, cast aluminum wheels, tachometer, rear anti-lock brakes, cargo box light & spoiler, dome light & instrumentation. Stock #5531.

**23
MPG**

WAS \$15,740
IS **\$11,565***

\$1,000 REBATE

**NEW 1991 RANGER 4x4
SUPER CAB STX**

STX trim, rear jump seat, automatic transmission, air conditioning, speed control, tilt steering wheel, sport bucket seats, floor console, AM/FM stereo cassette, cast aluminum wheels, power steering & brakes, tinted glass, tachometer, hand luggage, rear anti-lock brakes, automatic, locking hood, front wheel steering wheel, cargo box light & spoiler, dome light & instrumentation, light group, interval wipers. Stock #6507.

**20
MPG**

WAS \$18,624
IS **\$13,811***

\$600 REBATE

NEW 1991 THUNDERBIRD

Power steering & brakes, tinted glass, automatic overdrive transmission, air conditioning, AM/FM stereo premium cassette, premium sound, power driver seat, power door locks, power windows, power mirrors, cast aluminum wheels, luxury group, rear window defroster, BSM, console courtesy lights, instrumentation, reclining bucket seats, digital clock, interval wipers. Stock #6042.

**27
MPG**

WAS \$17,881
IS **\$14,024***

\$600 REBATE

**NEW 1991 AEROSTAR
EXTENDED XL WAGON**

Power steering & brakes, tinted glass, convenience group, super cooling, AM/FM stereo instrumentation, air conditioning, BSM, console, rear window wiper, spoiler, XLT trim, power convenience group, rear window defroster, automatic transmission, air conditioning, speed control & 18 wheel, privacy glass, dual captain chairs, 7 passenger. Stock #6211.

**23
MPG**

WAS \$18,615
IS **\$14,864***

50 EXPLORERS IN STOCK

**NEW 1991 EXPLORER
4 DOOR 4x4**

Power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, automatic transmission, air conditioning, AM/FM stereo cassette, cast aluminum wheels, rear anti-lock brakes, rear window wiper/washer/defroster, intermittent wipers, dome light, instrumentation, scuff plates, front & rear stabilizer. Stock #5452.

**20
MPG**

WAS \$19,469
IS **\$17,066***

SPECIAL OF THE WEEK

\$1000 REBATE

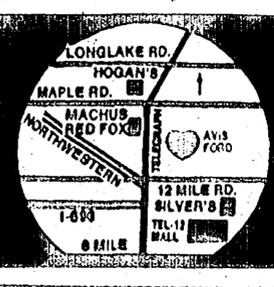
NEW 1991 RANGERS X 4x2

Custom trim overdrive transmission, tinted glass, power brakes, fold away mirrors, instrumentation, spoiler, rear anti-lock brakes, dome light, interval wipers, scuff plates. Stock #6257T.

**29
MPG**

WAS \$8729
IS **\$6911***

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