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'Sense of urgency' in police pact review

By Gary M. Cates
staff writer

Spurred on by a call for quick action, Plymouth Township trustees agreed to discuss police service options at a special meeting Tuesday.

"I don't think this is something we can sit on and wait to make a decision because of the lead time needed. We are within six months of the contract expiring," said Trustee Abe Munfakh.

"I believe there is a sense of urgency," he said. Munfakh was a member of the township's law enforcement study committee.

Likewise, committee member William Brown called for swift board action on the committee's findings.

"The information from the report is adequate to make decisions with. I implore you to accept the report immediately," Brown said.

"The conditions are terrible right now," he said. "Please do not think you

can take weeks to consider and then make a decision."

The board's decision to discuss options next Tuesday followed a 60-minute presentation by police consultant Robert L. Parsons. Parsons, also the coordinator of Ferris State University's criminal justice program, worked with the committee and wrote the more than 70-page final report presented at Tuesday night's regular board meeting.

That report calls for termination of the \$467,000 a year contract for police services with the City of Plymouth. In its place, Parsons and the committee recommend the township start its own department by the time the contract expires in June, 1985.

"WHAT YOU have here is one community which is going to expand and the other which is not," Parsons said.

"The projected growth in the township and the needs which that will de-

velop will far outstrip the city's ability to meet those needs, in terms of police service. They may someday contract from the township," he said.

Like Plymouth Township, Plymouth recently completed a study of the service arrangement because of growing concerns. Plymouth's study was conducted by Bartell & Bartell, a police consulting firm.

"Both consultants identify problems with the contract. Yes, the contract is outdated — it needs revision at the very least," Parsons said.

"I applaud those people who negotiated and initiated that contract because it was innovative," he said. But he lists six reasons why it should be abandoned.

Number one is the contract is outdated.

"Number two, the records systems are archaic. From a litigation standpoint, the records should be there.

There are serious consequences if the records are missing.

"You need documentation of response times and where officers were," he said.

"Number three are the uncontrolled costs. The city has an expensive contract with the police union and it is your problem. You are bound by the costs that are in the police department contract.

"As long as you stay in the contract with them, you're going to pay the top dollar for services," he said.

"While number one and two are fixable, number three isn't."

PARSONS' FOURTH reason is the township's lack of direct control over the officers. The city's police study calls for less township control, he said.

"I see that as a significant problem and it best be addressed."

As examples, Parsons pointed to what he considers two problem areas

— traffic and home burglaries.

"The accident rate is opposite of where the tickets are being written," he said, meaning more accidents are in the township while more traffic tickets are being written in the city.

"If you go in and selectively patrol an area, the problems will drop in that area.

"There is a traffic problem and selective enforcement is the answer and for whatever reason, it is not happening," he said.

"As for residential burglaries, there is a problem. Burglaries are happening at a large rate in the township. Patrol should be directed in that area.

"Preventative patrol and more preventative action from the police needs to be done to prevent burglaries," Parsons said.

The fifth reason Parsons calls for termination of the contract is what he perceives as bad relations between the city and township.

The sixth reason is the projected needs of the township. Parsons believes additional police services will be required as the township grows. He also believes the cost of the city contract will only go up.

"The days of a \$467,000 contract are gone," he said.

Based on his reading of the Bartell study, Parsons said the "minimum amount of cost will be somewhere in excess of \$600,000 a year."

"You have reached a point where, beyond the bricks and mortar, you're at a cost equal to or less than what the contract costs to start your own department," he said.

"By creating your own department you are creating something to meet your needs."

The board's meeting Tuesday will start at 7:30 p.m. in the meeting room at Township Hall, the corner of Ann Arbor Road and Mill Street.

1st victory in prisons battle

By Gary M. Cates
staff writer

Plymouth Township officials approved a \$40,000 war chest Tuesday to fight the placement of state prisons in the township.

The action came on the same day prison opponents were claiming their first victory in Lansing in the ongoing battle over prison placement in the area.

Tuesday the state Legislature's joint capital outlay subcommittee approved the sale of most of the Plymouth Center for Human Development property, Sheldon and Five Mile Roads in Northville Township. The motion was made by Sen. Robert Geake, R-Northville.

Before going on the market, the proposed sale must pass the full Legislature. Geake expects a vote within a week.

The property, on both the northwest and northeast corners, has been targeted by some for prison placement. If the sale is approved by lawmakers it will eliminate the possibility of the land being used for prisons.

"That land is land at risk. I believe it is time to get the land back on the tax rolls," Geake said. "I am very confident we're going to be successful in getting the sale approved."

THE SUBCOMMITTEE approved selling all of the land on the northwest corner and some 50 acres on the northeast. Not approved for sale was the multiple-story administration building on the northeast corner. The State Department of Mental Health would like to convert the administration building into lodging for psychiatric patients nearing recovery.

The northwest land, across the street from Plymouth Township's Metro West Industrial Park, most likely would be developed for a similar light industrial use, said Northville Township Supervisor Susan Heinz.

"We probably will look for some type of multiple family residential development on the 50 acres on the east side, behind the administration building," Heinz said.

"The subcommittee's action is our first victory," Heinz said.

"Our ultimate goal is to eliminate all

possibilities of the land being used for prisons. To do this we must eliminate government ownership, which means selling the property," she said.

OTHER LAND being targeted for prison construction is the 1,100-acre Detroit House of Corrections (DeHoCo) site on Five Mile west of Beck Road. That land is in both Plymouth and Northville townships.

The DeHoCo site is adjacent to the state-owned Phoenix Correctional facility. Being constructed next to the Phoenix center is a 550-bed state regional prison.

Other property being eyed for prisons is the Wayne County Child Development site north of the Plymouth Center for Human Development property on Sheldon.

"All totalled, they are talking about 5,000 to 6,000 prison beds out here," Heinz told the Plymouth Township board Tuesday.

"I want to tell you, ladies and gentlemen, when Supervisor Breen and I were up there in Lansing we found out this is a fast freight train coming down here," she said.

"Northville Township will tell you that this is an expensive fight. You have to prove the devastating effects of having this in your community," she said.

Heinz supported a motion to hire Karoub Associates to lobby legislators in Lansing and Krandle, Thompson & Meir to handle legal matters involved in the prison fight.

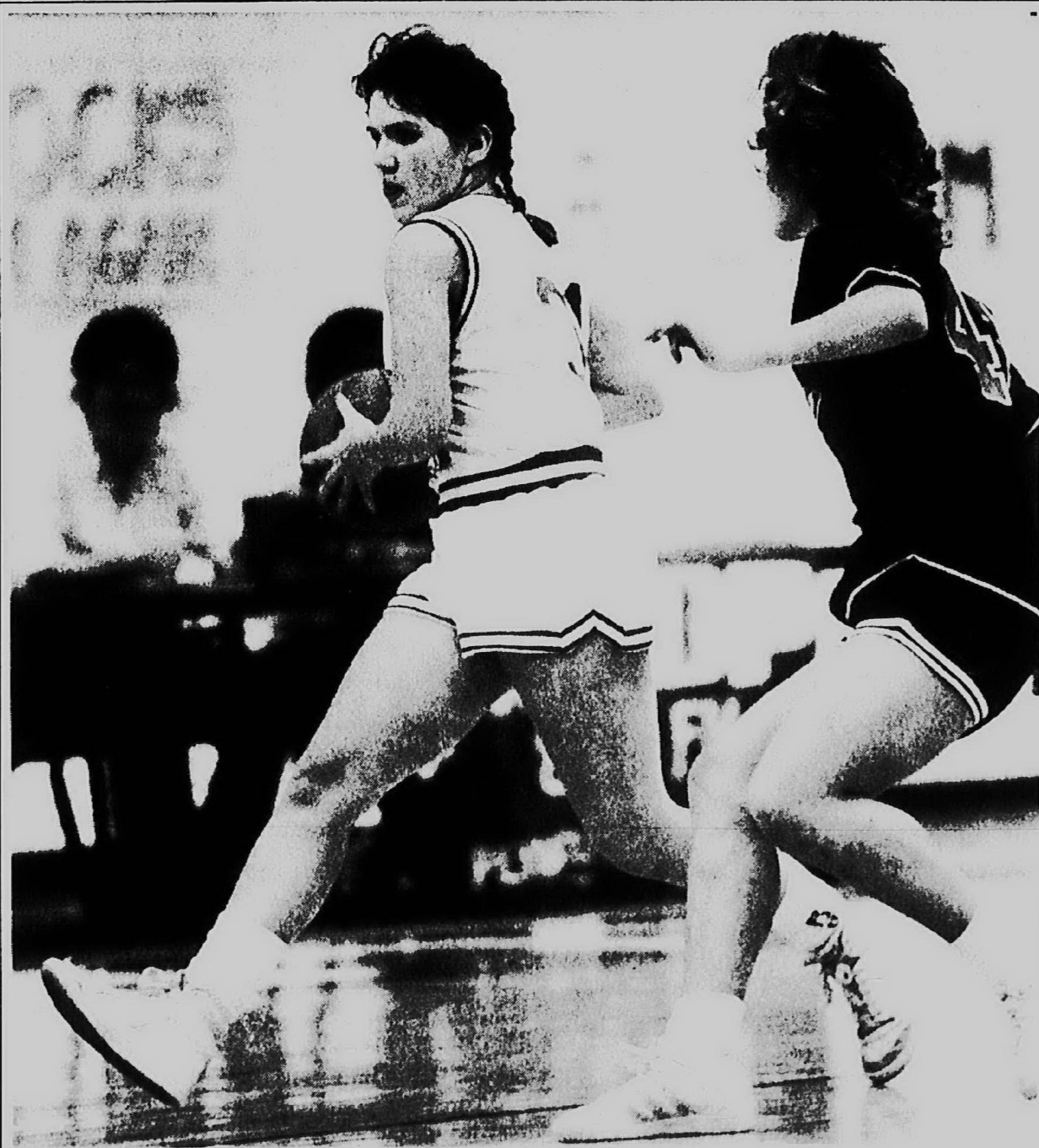
"We have already hired this lobbyist. It's the only way to beat it."

METRO WEST Industrial Park developer Robert DeMattia also urged the board to approve funds for the lobbyist and law firm.

"We try to bring multinational firms in here. There are going to be people who won't come in because of a prison," DeMattia said.

"After polling my colleagues, I am convinced this is the worst thing that can happen to southeast Michigan.

"This area is the next growth pattern in southeast Michigan. You are taking out of circulation \$1 billion worth of light industrial and research land from the tax structure," he said.



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Rocks advance in tourney

The Plymouth Salem Rocks girls basketball team advanced in the first round of regional playoffs Tuesday night with a 54-37 victory over Livonia Franklin. The Rocks meet Trenton tonight in the Salem gym for the Class A Regional

Championship. Shown above is Reggie Rojeski helping to break the Franklin press. Top scorer for the Rocks was freshman center Dena Head with 20 points. For game details, see 1C of today's Sports Section.

Santa to ride the rail

By W.W. Edgar
staff writer

Santa Claus is making a return engagement to Plymouth — this time by special train — to greet the children from the entire area.

He plans to spend two days, Dec. 22 and 23, with the hope that the children and their parents will have an entertaining time in the station house at the C&O Railroad yard in the city.

The visit is a return trip, as last year Santa spent a day at the Plymouth C&O yard to see the children of railroad employees. He enjoyed the visit so much that he decided to return to meet as many of the local children as possible.

And he will have something for the parents, too.

"We will have the caboose dressed up as Santa's headquarters," explained Jim Ward, assistant superintendent, "and we'll show the children the caboose and how it works. Then, as an added remembrance of the visit, each child will receive a gift."

"We have been talking about this ever since it was so popular a year ago. We want to show the residents that the railroad really is a part of the community. We talked with Santa and he agreed to the two-day visit."

WITH A promise that all the roads into the station yard will be cleared, the railroad officials expect to be hosts to a large gathering.

Another promise was made that if this year's visit is a success, Santa promises it will be an annual trip by train — a bit different from coming in by sleigh and other travel modes.

"It will be nice to have the children enjoy the visit," said Ward, "but it also will be grand that the young folks learn something about the railroad."

"Santa is looking forward to the visit with great glee. It will be something new for him to ask all the children in an area to visit him in the caboose."

Luck continues even after the war

By W.W. Edgar
staff writer

Sitting in the living room of his apartment in Canton, Boris Gergoff showed a gold medal and said, "This is more proof that I am the luckiest guy in the world."

Gergoff, who fought under Gen. Douglas MacArthur in World War II, was showing the medal which was a gift from the Philippine government. The medal was a way of showing appreciation to soldiers in the army who returned the islands to the government when the war ended.

"It's been 40 years since the islands were returned," he said, "and I was supposed to go over for a celebration

and pick up the medal in fitting ceremonies.

"But I took sick and couldn't make the trip. So I thought I missed the medal, but it came last week with a great deal of surprise. And I am just as fond of it as a person could be."

Gergoff pointed out that receipt of the medal was further proof of his luck. Then with horror he told that the group from over here that went to the Philippines was quartered in a hotel which burned with the result that four died and 45 others were injured. "It was one time when sickness helped me."

As he sat there recounting his experiences under Gen. MacArthur, he showed his admiration by saying, "he was one general who knew what to do, then did it."

TRACING HIS luck he recalled that one day his outfit was ordered into the jungles. As the "buddies" started out, his sergeant ordered him to remain back with him.

"And would you believe it, he held me back because I could drive a jeep. Then came the news that 27 of the 29 men were killed and the other two got away. Talk about luck!"

He recalled that he was drafted and assigned a member of the 24th Infantry in 1942 and remained in service three years and was discharged as a medical technician.

Born in Flint 66 years ago he spent most of his service time in the Philippines and the Pacific. Right after he was drafted he was sent to California, then to Pearl Harbor, and on to Australia

and New Guinea before being assigned to the Philippines under Gen. MacArthur. All told, he spent 37 months overseas.

Now he lives retired while his wife is employed in the Canton office of the Michigan Employment Security Commission (MESCC).

While he is nursing a weakening cold he has started to write a book telling of his experiences in the war. As he folded it, he smiled a bit and said:

"I'll have to rewrite some of it now that I have received a Philippine Liberation medal and I'll have to stress my good luck — for I sure have been one lucky fellow — through a war and home unscathed and able to discuss it 40 years after my discharge."

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CHANNEL 8

THURSDAY (Dec. 6)
6 p.m. . . . Cinematic — Johnny Midnight and Fredrico Balontoni review movies on Family Home Theater this month: "The Deer Slayer" and "You'll Never See Me Again."
6:30 p.m. . . . Belleville Christmas Parade — Catch the fun of last year's parade before you get to see what '84 has in store.
7 p.m. . . . Northville Breaks — More break dancing from Northville Recreation Department.
7:30 p.m. . . . The Oasis — Comedy and variety featured along with a new music video, "Programs." Special guest is Kevin O'Neill of Magic 95 and Honey Radio.
8 p.m. . . . The Food Chain — Debi Salmons, director of Aerobics Plus, discusses the effects of food allergies.
8:30 p.m. . . . Canton BPW Presents — Canton Librarian Deborah O'Connor addresses the Canton BPW on "It's About Time" — a

presentation on time management. Also presented is a historical slide presentation on the BPW.
9:30 p.m. . . . Single Touch — J.P. McCarthy talks with Marcella Martinez, a resident of Jamaica.

FRIDAY (Dec. 7)

6 to 9:30 p.m. . . . Vignettes — Watch all the various productions done by Omnicom's access trainees.
10 p.m. . . . Glitch — C.J. brings you lively entertainment features, Live!
SATURDAY (Dec. 8)
6 p.m. . . . Omnicom Game of the Week — Varsity football action between Plymouth Canton High and Belleville Tigers.
7:30-9:30 p.m. . . . Vignettes.

CHANNEL 15

THURSDAY (Dec. 6)

1 p.m. . . . Canton Update — Jim Poole brings you up-to-date on Canton news.
1:30 p.m. . . . Santa Comes to Canton

— See Santa's arrival in Canton, sponsored by Canton Chamber of Commerce.
2 p.m. . . . Shopper Comparison — Learn to shop wisely by checking out prices from four area stores.
2:30 p.m. . . . Come Craft With Me — Host Kay Micallef demonstrates crafting techniques.
3 p.m. . . . Live Call-In with Jeff Stone — All about access. Host Jeff Stone talks with various access users with Omnicom about getting involved in cable TV community programming.
4 p.m. . . . JA Project Business Economics — First class of the West Middle School Project Business. Learn about economics. Students tell what they hope to do when the finish school.
5 p.m. . . . Youth View — Music, song and dance by the Michigan Concert Choir and an interview with Thurlow Spurr. Also a chat with people from International Team Missions.
5:30 p.m. . . . Cosmos Quiz.
6 p.m. . . . Psychic Sciences — Guest

hypnotist Sol Lewis takes a subject through regression to previous lives.
6:30 p.m. . . . Hamtramck News In Review.
7 p.m. . . . Messiah — First Presbyterian Church of Northville brings you this special Christmas music presentation.
8 p.m. . . . Omnicom Game of the Week.
9 p.m. . . . Basic CPR — Instructions on how to do Cardiac Life Support.
FRIDAY (Dec. 7)
1 p.m. . . . Apparel Design Fashion Show — First in a series of fashion shows video-taped by Omnicom in 1984.
1:30 p.m. . . . Look of Love Fashion Show — Sponsored by the Plymouth Newcomers.
2:30 p.m. . . . Sesquicentennial Fashion Show — A celebration of fashions from both present and from days gone by.
3:30 p.m. . . . Gowns of the First Ladies — A unique fashion show hosted by Dunbar Davis and Mary Childs. See the gowns worn by the

former First Ladies, sponsored by Plymouth Woman's Club.
4:30 p.m. . . . Hank Luks vs. Crime — Something new in crime prevention each week.
5 p.m. . . . Wayne County: A New Perspective — Wayne County Executive William Lucas reports.
5:30 p.m. . . . TNT True Adventure Trails — Uncle Ernie brings us good news each week.
6 p.m. . . . Yugoslavian Variety Hour — Yugoslav residents in Hamtramck present this weekly show about their lifestyle.
7 p.m. . . . Sound Trax — Professional music productions by area groups.
8 p.m. . . . Words of Hope — A continuing religious series.
8:30 p.m. . . . Divine Plan — A weekly Bible study program.
9 p.m. . . . Health Talks — A variety

of topics covered each week.
9:30 p.m. . . . This Is The Life — Lutheran religious program series.
SATURDAY (Dec. 8)
1 p.m. . . . Apparel Design Fashion Show.
1:30 p.m. . . . Look of Love Fashion Show.
2:30 p.m. . . . Sesquicentennial Fashion Show.
3:30 p.m. . . . Gowns of the First Ladies.
4:30 p.m. . . . Stages of Life Fashion Show.
5:30 p.m. . . . Santa Comes to Canton.
6 p.m. . . . Basic CPR.
7 p.m. . . . Messiah.
8 p.m. . . . Tailgate Ramblers — A requested repeat performance from this summer's Canton Concert in the Park.
9 p.m. . . . Stages of Life Fashion Show.

obituaries

MARIE E. CARPENTER

Funeral services for Mrs. Carpenter, 80, of Brookville Road, Plymouth, were held recently in Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church in Plymouth with burial at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield. Arrangements were made by Schrader Funeral Home in Plymouth. Memorial contributions may be made to the Michigan Heart Association or in the form of Mass offerings.
Mrs. Carpenter, who died Dec. 1 in Westland, was born in Sandwich, Ontario, and moved to Plymouth in 1965

from Westland. A homemaker, she was a member of the Livonia Senior Citizens and was married for 42 years.
Survivors include: son, Hugh of Plymouth; daughter, Mary Pimlott of Westland; brother, Theodore Maheux of Ontario, Canada; nine grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

VIOLET M. ROCKWELL

Funeral services for Mrs. Rockwell, 68, of Detroit were held recently in Lambert-Vermeulen Funeral Home in Plymouth with burial at St. Hedwig Cemetery in Dearborn Heights. Offici-

ating was the Rev. Thomas A. Belczak.
Mrs. Rockwell, who died Dec. 2 at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn, was born in Winnipeg, Canada. She was a homemaker. Survivors include: mother, Johanna Olander of Winnipeg; daughter, Carole Campbell of Canton; brothers, Al and Bernie Olander of Winnipeg; and two grandchildren.

ELIZABETH E. HARTER

Funeral services for Mrs. Harter, 88, of Highland were held recently in Richardson-Bird Chapel, Lynch & Sons Funeral Home in Milford with burial at Highland Cemetery. Officiating was

the Rev. Roy Harriger. Memorial contributions may be made to the Kidney Foundation.

Mrs. Harter, who died Dec. 1 in Middlebelt Nursing Home in Westland, was born in Republic, Kan., and had lived in Highland for more than 20 years. She was a homemaker, a member of the Highland Church of the Nazarene, and was active in the Women's Christian Temperance Union.

Survivors include: son, John of Camilla, Ga.; daughters, Eleanor Collins of Canton and Virginia Donahoe of Ypsilanti; two nephews, five grandnieces and nephews, seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

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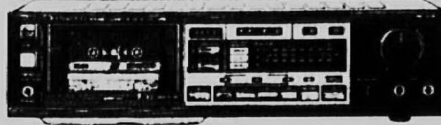
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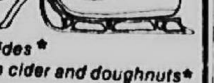
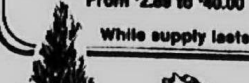
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'Tis the season to go shopping

By Mary Rodrique
special writer

WITH SOME OF the busiest shopping days of the season still ahead, merchants are reporting early Christmas sales up as much as 20 percent over last year in an informal random survey conducted at several area shopping centers last week.

More people back to work and a new confidence in the economy were cited by merchants as reasons for the apparent boom.

"We're probably running 15 percent ahead of last year," said Michael Mazzoni, who operates the family-owned Orin Jewelers in Garden City with his brother, Orin Jr., and sister, Joyce Pappas.

"Jewelry is often impulse buying," he said. "A few years ago, a customer Christmas shopping would stay in a certain budget and keep to it. Now, they're often willing to spend more. We are doing more remounts, more custom designing."

"We've had more men coming in this year by themselves. They're buying watches, diamond pendants, earrings, dinner rings. Men buying for women are our bigger ticket items."

"December is also our biggest month for weddings. We've been selling lots of engagement ring sets."

Mazzoni said customers are buying both inexpensive and costly jewelry. "We have a gold filled line that starts at \$20. And at the other end, dinner rings from \$300 to \$15,000. We try to cater to everybody."

LESS TRADITIONAL gift merchandise is also moving well this holiday season. Wild Wings wildlife art gallery in downtown Plymouth reports higher volume sales on merchandise which includes sporting gift items, porcelains, duck decoys, and animal and nature theme paintings.

"On Sundays, we pull in people from Flint, Kalamazoo, Oakland and Macomb counties," said Patricia Mosher, manager.

Novelty items include a duck phone that quacks instead of rings, a wooden toy duck that flaps wings and walks as it's pulled, and a Christmas tree decorated entirely in duck decoys.

"It's worth a trip just to see, if nothing else," Mosher said.

Specialty foods and imported wines are gaining popularity with gift buyers. The Cheese and Wine Barn in downtown Plymouth "is doing the best (holiday) business in the three years I've been here," said manager Lois Remer.

Remer says the store will ship food baskets throughout the United States and will deliver them in the metro Detroit area. Although the store deals with big volume customers who may want 50 food baskets, personnel are willing to go that extra mile for buyers who may want to special order a single bottle of wine.

In addition to wine, specialty choco-

lates from Holland and Switzerland, caviar, escargot, imported candles and 55 different cheeses fill the store. The Cheese and Wine Barn also carries products related to coffee, tea, drinks and food, like kettles, grinders, glasses, knives and decorative tins.

ARTIFICIAL TREES are another item gaining favor with holiday shoppers, according to Ken Wright, garden department manager at Meijer Thrifty Acres in Canton Township.

"Although I don't have the sales figures available, business is at least as good as last year," Wright said. "Artificial trees are becoming more realistic looking with shorter needles and fuller branches."

Garlands, icicles, lights and other decorative trim are also moving well, Wright said.

Fannie Farmer Candies at Westland Center reports business up 12 percent over last year.

"It has been excellent," said Carolyn LaBruzzy, manager. "I think in general there's more confidence in the economy this year."

When the franchise was purchased last June 1 by the French Poulin Co., two new lines were added, she said. They are: a heritage collection of choc-

people who collect candles," Tringali said.

Their candle assortment, ranging from \$1 to \$150, for 12 pounds of wax molded into a tree stump crawling with colorful gnomes, appears more decorative than practical.

Customers can have a candle custom-made in their favorite color and watch the process, which includes dipping a plain chunky candle into hot colored wax to create a thick coat, cooking it in water 15 minutes, then carving ribbon-like designs as the candle is suspended by its wick.

"We wrap and box them in foam padding at no extra cost," Stringer said. "So far, we've shipped them to California and Florida."

A FEW STORES away, Dolly Hubbard of the sausage-and-cheese-stocked Swiss Colony expected business to pick up following distribution of 55,000 weekend circulars.

"Every Christmas I sell out of everything," said Hubbard, who also manages a store in Southfield's Tel-Twelve Mall. "Food gifts are making a bigger impact the past few years. It's better than giving someone a shirt he'll never wear."

Kay-Bee Toys manager Mark Wing

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— Mark Wing
toy store manager

olate, praline, orange and coffee flavor candy retailing for \$9.95 and \$13.95 and 8-ounce jars of jelly for \$4.95 featuring all natural apricot, black currant, grapefruit and plum.

The biggest seller remains boxed chocolates ranging from \$5.95 to \$29.75 a pound, LaBruzzy said. A new line of stocking stuffers and a special offer on the Fannie Farmer cookbook or bakebook (\$2 off the regular price plus a free pound of chocolates with every purchase) are special lures this season.

SALES WERE UP 53 percent for the week following Thanksgiving at Musicland in Westland, according to Cindy Prieskorn, store spokeswoman.

"The weekends are always busy, then business slows Monday-Wednesday," she said. "We'll have continuous sales through Christmas."

In addition to cassette tapes and top 10 albums, large gadgety radios are a hot selling item.

Shoppers can view real craftsmen at work at Dip & Carve Candles in the Livonia Mall. Although most observers were watching and not buying on a recent weekday afternoon, managers Ken Stringer and Sam Tringali say business is great.

"I was surprised by the number of

said his biggest problem is keeping popular toys in stock. Right now the hottest item is Transformers — robots that turn into cars and are popular with both boys and girls.

"We don't have any Cabbage Patch dolls, but hopefully we'll get some in stock before Christmas," he said. "We don't carry a waiting list."

Gobots, a competitor to Transformers, and Masters of the Universe are also popular with shoppers in the Livonia Mall store.

"Any trivia game is a big seller," he said. "We've got rock trivia, Bible trivia, Trivial Pursuit — you name it."

Fresh with a 2,800-square-foot expansion, Sunnydaze Hallmark in Canton Township reports a 20 percent hike in sales this holiday season.

In addition to traditional Hallmark greeting cards, the store offers an alternative greeting card line, coffee mugs, plush stuffed animals, mens giftware, and picture frames. A gift catalog is available.

JUST A FEW seasons ago, the strip shopping center at W. Chicago and Telegraph in Redford Township was an empty shell of a Corvette adjoining a few other businesses.



photos by DAN DEAN/staff photographer

Joshua Speelman, 4½, of Farmington Hills investigates the shelves of the Kay-Bee Toy Store in

Livonia Mall where the hottest toys are robots which turn into cars.

'Deck the malls with crowds of shoppers'

By Mary Rodrique
special writer

It was three weeks before Christmas and all through the mall, Seads of shoppers were buying almost anything at all. Parcels were slung from their shoulders with care, And a festive holiday mood filled the air.

THE SIGHTS AND sounds of the winter holidays were everywhere on a recent afternoon in Livonia Mall.

Despite the blustery cold weather outside, Santa Claus was warming the hearts of children inside the mall. The man in the red suit and Christmas Carol, his right hand woman, had a snake line of moms and tots waiting for a private audience to be duly recorded by a photographer for \$3.99 a picture.

The center of the mall was dotted with merchants selling giftware ranging from made-to-order candles to jewelry, stuffed toys and fuzzy red stockings to hang by the fireplace on Christmas Eve.

"I ENJOY SHOPPING, I really do," said Laurie Dimmitt, of Detroit. She had her parents-in-law and 15-month-old daughter, Lisa, along to shop for a sport jacket and slacks for her husband.

"I've been Christmas shopping 10 times already and I'm about half done now. I've got 14 people to buy for."

"I definitely don't plan on finishing today," she said, with a not-too-disappointed smile.

Helen Collins of Farmington had success finding shirts at Crowley's and planned to have lunch at the mall before heading home.

"I find the prices in general a bit higher this year," she said. "So I expect to spend a little more."

On her Christmas giving list are a couple of teen-age grandchildren and an 8- and 10-year-old.

"Oh, I never have a hard time buying for them," she said. "I give practical gifts like socks and bathrobes."

JOE KROL of Redford had a method of shopping that ensured he wouldn't be worn out by the end of the day.

"I drive my wife around to the malls and give her all the money. She does the shopping. She's almost done with it."

"I can't walk around a lot because of my health," he explained, resting on a bench near Kresge's.

Richard Murphy of Redford also preferred to let his wife do the shopping. He was keeper of the parcels as she scouted from store to store.

"We always look around at the different stores and can usually find 25 percent off on any given item," he said.

Murphy was a touch disappointed to find Trivial Pursuit selling for a dollar less at Kay-Bee Toys than what he paid for it elsewhere.

"Oh well, it's just a dollar," he laughed. "I first played the game at my son's house and had the best time. I bought it for myself."

Two pre-school age grandchildren and a daughter and son-in-law are also beneficiaries of the Murphy's gift-giving.

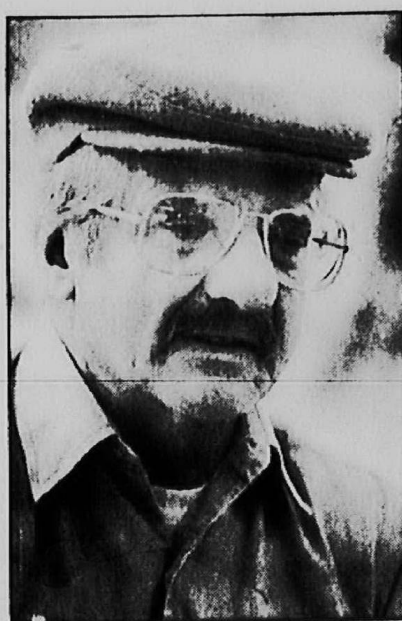
NEARBY, GRETCHEN Guisbert of Farmington explained why a movie camera was the most expensive but important item on her list.

"We want to take pictures of Kelsey," she said, bouncing her almost 9-month-old daughter on her lap. "She was recently in a baby pageant sponsored by the Elks."

Guisbert said her Christmas shopping is just about wrapped up this year.

"I've bought mostly clothes, and toys, of course," she added.

Keith Leveson of Redford looked overwhelmed but delighted inside Kay-Bee Toys. Parents Morry and Pat brought their 19-month-old son shopping to buy him a toy.



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Redford Township

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— Gretchen Guisbert and daughter Kelsey
Farmington



"We don't celebrate Christmas," Morry said. "But we buy Keith things all the time." The little guy finally settled on a Fisher-Price toy xylophone.

Down another aisle in the crowded store, Marilyn Hays, a Wayne resident, pushed a stroller and admitted she was just getting started with her holiday shopping.

"The kids are bigger and they want more expensive gifts," she said. "I haven't taken advantage of any sales but I find the prices are about the same as last year."

EARLY BIRD SHOPPER Audrey Grace of Westland found good deals on toys and appliances, but complained that the price of clothes was outrageous.

"I can understand why women wear pants to the office," she said. "I can't find a decent dress or skirt anywhere."

Despite that problem, she said she's almost finished shopping.

"I always shop early for Christmas. I don't like the cold weather."



Morry Leveson of Redford wasn't shopping for Christmas but bought son Keith a toy xylophone.

City surplus made through interfund transfers

By Gary M. Cates
staff writer

Plymouth's audit of the 1983-84 fiscal year, presented to the City Commission Monday night, contains good news and bad news.

The good news is that the trend for reliance on the general fund surplus has been reversed. The bad news is that the surplus in the water and sewer fund continues to be drained due to losses.

"This year we see a positive increase in the difference between general fund revenues and expenditures," said David Williamson, a certified public accountant. Williamson is with the firm of Post, Smythe, Lutz and Ziel.

The general fund is used for accounting the resources associated with traditional government functions which are not required to be accounted for in other funds, such as water and sewer, special assessments and debt retirement.

Audits of the '81-82 and '82-83 fiscal years showed a growing decline in the general fund surplus. The surplus was being tapped to match general fund revenues with expenditures.

Last year, Williamson urged the City Commission to stop this trend. Left uncurbed, the reliance on surplus money could lead to a drastic cut in services or an increase in property taxes to avoid a deficit.

DURING THE past fiscal year, starting in July 1983 and ending June 1984, general fund revenues exceeded expenditures by \$167,000, according to Williamson.

Almost all of that \$167,000 surplus came in the area of operating transfers in and out — raising concern whether the general fund trend really was turned around.

Although the revenues from outside sources — such as property taxes, licenses, permits, fees and fines — were

\$84,000 above budget, total expenditures exceeded the budgeted amount by \$81,000.

Operating transfers in (the charges to other city funds for services rendered by or through the general fund) exceeded the budgeted amount by \$40,000.

Likewise operating transfers out (the charges to the general fund for services rendered by or through other funds) differed from the budgeted amount. Transfers out were \$124,500 less than budgeted.

Thus, the variance in operating transfers actually accounts for \$164,500 of the \$167,000 surplus in the general fund.

Among the other city funds which figure into the operating transfers are the water and sewer fund, the equipment fund, the library fund, the highway and street fund, the major street fund, and the local street fund.

IN A LETTER accompanying the audit, a recommendation is made concerning transfers from the water and sewer fund.

"Transfers were budgeted in fiscal years '83-84 and '84-85 from the Water Supply and Sewage Disposal System to the general fund.

"City officials indicated to us that these transfers represented administrative reimbursement. However, they were unable to provide us with the basis or method for arriving at the amount of the reimbursements.

"We recommend that future transfers for administration be based on a reasonable allocation formula," the auditors wrote.

The water and sewer fund suffered a net loss of almost \$90,000 for fiscal '83-84. The major contributor to the loss was an increase in sewage excess flow charges.

The loss caused the system's retained earnings to drop from \$275,000 to

\$185,000. The retained earnings have continued to fall since 1981, when they hit almost \$600,000.

Likewise, the system's working capital decreased by \$25,000, taking it from \$726,000 to \$701,000.

Ideally, municipalities like to keep working capital at a high amount to provide higher interest earnings, as well as having money available to protect the system in the event of a major equipment failure. The interest earnings can be used for the maintenance and operation of the system.

The potential for major repairs increases with the age of the system. Thus, older systems, such as Plymouth's, are liable to incur greater annual repair costs.

"Unless you can amass some \$2 or \$3 million in funds, you're going to have to have a bond issue for a major repair anyway," City Manager Henry Graper said.

\$309,000 to \$252,000. The fund's working capital also dropped \$140,000, from \$217,000 to \$77,000.

"The equipment fund has been sliding the past two years and that's been by choice," Mayor David Pugh said.

The other fund of interest, the library fund, showed the city share of the budget actually was less than anticipated. The fund was created when the city commission approved levying one mill for library operation.

Before then the city, which shares the cost of the library with Plymouth Township, paid its portion out of general fund revenues. However, the general fund levy wasn't decreased one mill when the one mill library levy was authorized.

Because the library doesn't collect property taxes, the property tax money comes through the general fund and is shown as "transfers in."

Although transfers in were budgeted at \$145,000, the actual amount received was \$93,000 or \$52,000 less than anticipated. The township's share, paid by contractual arrangement, was budgeted at \$138,000 and came in at \$91,000 or \$47,000 less than budgeted.

The city's library surplus figured into the city's overall fund balance surplus, Williamson said.

4 charged in morning drug raid

A Westland man has been charged with possession of cocaine with intent to deliver following a search of a Village Squire Apartment in Canton Wednesday morning. Three others were cited for related charges.

James Donald Fry, 40, who listed his address as 8459 Woodcrest, Apt. 1, was arraigned in 35th District Court where he pleaded innocent. He is being held in Wayne County Jail with bond set at \$25,000.

Teresa Adkins, 20, the apartment lessee and a niece of Fry, was charged with possession of marijuana, a misdemeanor. James Tidwell, 20, of Plymouth and Rafael Picazo, 54, of Chicago were charged with loitering in the place of an illegal occupation. Adkins, Tidwell and Picazo were issued

appearance tickets and released.

CANTON POLICE responded about 11 a.m. Wednesday to a call from the apartment manager who said a man was smashing windows at 40056 Cambridge at the Village Squire Apartments.

Donald Russell Fry, 20, the son of James Fry and a Canton resident, was charged with malicious destruction of property in excess of \$100.

Fry gave police information that his father was selling narcotics. A search warrant was obtained and during a search of the apartment, police recovered small quantities of suspected marijuana and cocaine, scales and cutting agents.

Donald Fry pleaded innocent at his arraignment in 35th District Court and is being held in Wayne

County Jail on a \$2,000 bond.

Lt. Alex Wilson said clothing and other items belonging to James Fry recovered at the apartment cause the police to believe that he was residing there.

Winners in math contest

Eleven area high school students finished among the top 5 percent in Part I of the 28th Annual Michigan Mathematics Prize Competition and were among 1,000 Michigan students to compete in the final examination Dec. 5.

Kenneth Chance, Kevin Hinks, Thurston Matthews, Tushar Mody, John Nelson, Randolph Notestine, Tushar Patel, Steven Pedlow, Mark Peterson, Gale Tang and James White were the qualifiers. Sponsored by the Michigan Section of the Mathematical Association of America, the test is designed to foster a wider interest in mathematics, to

focus attention on the necessity for mathematical training in most professions and trades, and to identify and provide scholarships for the state's capable mathematics students.

About 100 winners of the competition will be honored at an awards program at Alma College in March. Half the winners will receive college scholarships. Awarded last year was \$15,500 in scholarships donated by Burroughs Corp., Ford Motor Co., the Upjohn Co., Michigan Bell, the Kuhlman Corp. and the Michigan Council of Teachers of Mathematics.

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Avoiding winter driving woes

Driving is one of the major winter hazards facing residents of Michigan.

In keeping with Winter Awareness Month, proclaimed by Gov. Blanchard for Dec. 2-8, some winter driving tips have been released by the Plymouth Township Office of Emergency Preparedness (OEP).

No one drives during bad winter weather unless they must. However, business or holiday plans often make winter traveling necessary, points out Township Clerk Esther Hulsing, public information officer for the township's OEP. The following tips on traveling in the winter may make your trips safer:

- Plan the trip carefully, listen to weather reports and travelers' advisories and keep an alternate route in mind. Let someone know where you are going and what time you plan to arrive. Travel by daylight and use major highways if possible. Try not to travel alone.

- Be sure your car is in good running order and properly serviced. Make

certain your tires are in good condition. Snow tires or chains are best for winter driving, but all-season radials are adequate in areas with light to moderate snowfall.

- Before you start driving, clean snow and ice off all parts of your car — windows, hood, roof, trunk and lights. Snow left on the car could affect visibility once you start driving.

- Keep your gas tank as full as possible, especially if you are unfamiliar with the route you are traveling or are entering open country and also to prevent gasoline freeze-up.

EVEN IF you restrict your driving to short, local trips, certain supplies can help in an emergency.

- Always keep in the car basic items such as a windshield scraper, battery booster cables, a tow-chain or rope, a bag of sand or gravel, and a flashlight. For longer trips add a transistor radio (with extra batteries), a first aid kit, road maps, some non-perishable food such as nuts, dried fruit,

and candy. Include matches and candles, blankets, and two or more large coffee cans (for sanitary purposes and to burn candles for heat).

- Don't overdrive when driving. Even on short trips, your clothing should be loose-fitting and comfortable. Heavy clothing should be removed after the car has warmed up. Do pull over to the side of the road instead of struggling out of heavy clothing while driving.

- If you should get caught on the road during a winter storm, keep calm. Give some indication you are in trouble — turn on your flashing lights, raise the hood or tie a cloth from an antenna or door handle.

- Stay in the car. Do not try to walk from the car unless you can see a shelter within reasonable distance; disorientation comes quickly during a blowing snowstorm.

- For heat, turn on the car engine for brief periods. To avoid carbon monoxide poisoning, always leave a downwind open slightly. Also make

sure the exhaust pipe is clear of snow when the engine is running.

- Exercise from time to time by clapping your hands and moving your arms and legs. Do not stay in one position too long, but do not overexert yourself by shoveling or trying to push the car.

- Leave the dome light on at night as a signal to rescuers. If more than one person is in the car, sleep in shifts.

- Don't drive while tired. Always use your seatbelt. Never warm up a vehicle in an enclosed area.

The above information is provided by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration, as well as the Charter Township of Plymouth's Office of Emergency Preparedness.

Child causes gun misfire

Luckily no one was injured Monday morning when a Plymouth child playing with a .22-caliber rifle accidentally fired a shot into an adjacent apartment.

A 21-year-old woman called police shortly after 10 a.m. Monday to report the incident, after the bullet ripped through her Sheldon Road apartment.

The woman lives below the apartment where the child was playing and reported hearing a loud noise, according to Plymouth Police.

The bullet went through the ceiling, striking a portable radio on the headrest of a couch directly below, and finally lodged in the couch, a police report states.

"The best we can determine is that it was accidental," said Detective Mike Gardner. "The child had the rifle."

Pen pals to meet

About 20 eighth graders from Lowell Middle School will be going to Field Elementary School Monday to meet with their second grade pen pals.

The eighth grade students have been corresponding to the second graders at Field as part of the inter-school activities designed by Bonnie Goodrich at Lowell and Helen Shelansky at Field.

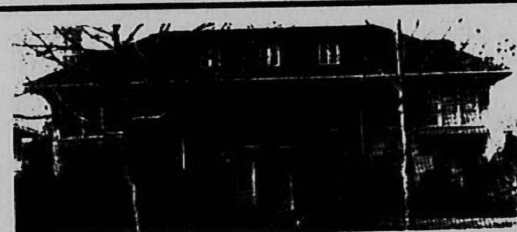
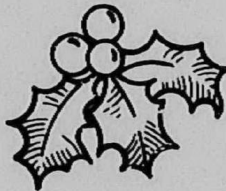
The two teachers have been working together to create the correspondence with letters and math problems. The field trip for the Lowell will permit the two groups to meet in person for the first time.

When the two groups meet, from 1:30-2:30 p.m. Monday, the elementary pupils will get to see the math games the eighth graders have been preparing for them.

"There is a lot of anticipation at this time," says Goodrich. "Our students have been looking forward to this as they have created the math games and worked at their correspondence. I'm sure the second graders will have the same kinds of anticipation."

"Our students are showing the second graders that math can be fun. We've seen both groups develop skills in writing, neatness and math. It's been a very positive experience."

Goodrich is a math/science/social studies teacher at Lowell while Shelansky is a second grade teacher at Field.



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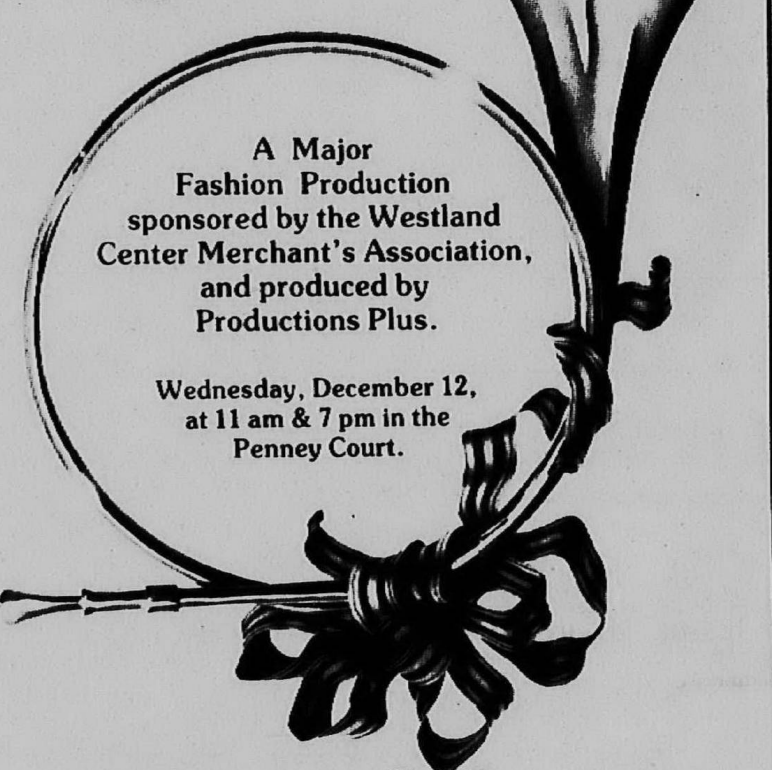
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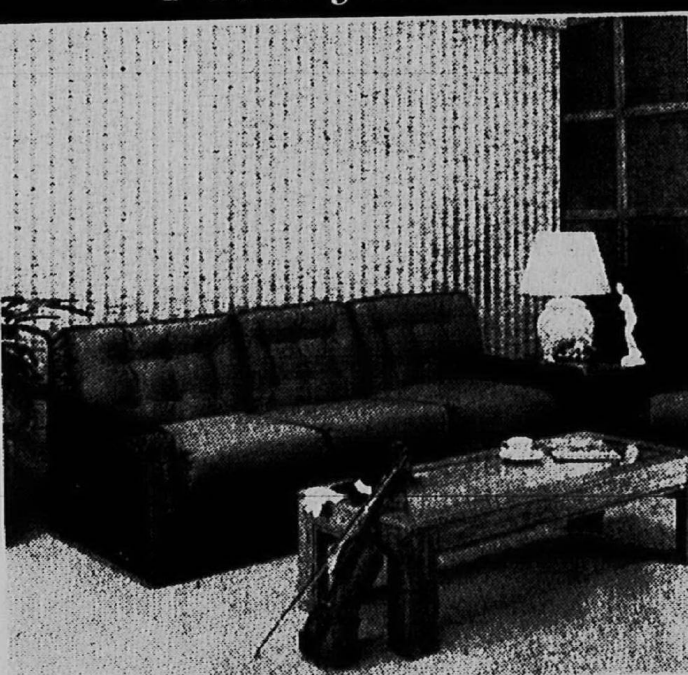
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Business asked to bail out People Mover

By Tim Richard
staff writer

A congressman and a state legislator say the Southeastern Michigan Transportation Authority (SEMTA) should look to business to pay cost overruns on the Downtown People Mover.

"Businessmen are going to have to put some money into it. They're going to benefit," said U.S. Rep. Carl Pursell, R-Plymouth. A member of the House Appropriations Committee, Pursell guided the original federal appropriation through Congress and kept SEMTA under his wing during his early years in the Michigan Legislature.

"To anybody who's traveled the systems as I have in Toronto and BART (San Francisco), it's stone-cold clear that businesses benefit," Pursell said in a telephone interview Wednesday from his Washington office.

Pursell was to meet with Ralph Stanley, director of the Urban Mass Transit Administration (UMTA), in the fading hope that more federal funds can be pruned out of the Reagan Administration.

"WE'RE GOING to need a local redevelopment tax of some type," said state Sen. Richard Fessler, R-West Bloomfield. Fessler is chairman of the Senate committee probing the soaring costs of the People Mover, a 2.9-mile, fully automated rail line which will loop through Detroit's central business district.

Questioning business people during a day-long hearing Monday, the Oakland County legislator got the answers he was looking for. Said Harvey Deutch, who owns two downtown stores and is a board member of the Central Business District Association:

"Investment is already in or planned or promised because of the Downtown People Mover project. You wouldn't have to bring new people downtown — just circulate the people who are already here. If we can't complete what we start, it would be a serious, serious image problem. . . . You'll have a vast wasteland north of Michigan Avenue if you don't connect it."

Other business and civic leaders said much the same thing — that the small rail line would be a boon to shops and restaurants, particularly because it will have indoor stations in the Renaissance Center, the new Millender Center, the David Whitney Building and Greektown.

HERE IS the money picture at a glance:

The federal government, during the Carter Administration, wanted to fund a demonstration project at 100 percent of construction costs, according to SEMTA Chairman DeWitt Henry. But the Reagan Administration, taking office in 1981, backed down to a 80-20 federal-local funding formula. SEMTA's 20 percent share was underwritten by the state.

SEMTA budgeted the project at \$137 million, winning \$110 million from UMTA and the rest from the state, but without a fight. The Reagan Admin-

istration wanted to drop the entire program, and Congress had to order it funded.

Almost as soon as the contract was let to a Canadian company, UTDC Inc., SEMTA began redesigning it — upward in cost. The latest total cost is in excess of \$180 million, and it could rise to \$200 million.

SEMTA NEEDS a total of \$46 million more to complete the half-finished project, according to acting General Manager Albert Martin. It's looking to the federal and state governments for the money.

But UMTA is reluctant to come up with more than \$5.4 million — and only if SEMTA can justify every penny of it. As Joel Ettinger, UMTA regional administrator told Fessler's committee:

"The (U.S.) Department of Transportation had reservations and misgivings concerning the project. The project was never subjected to UMTA's alternatives analysis requirements. . . . It is our belief, based on cost and ridership projections, that had the project been subjected to a cost-effectiveness test . . . the project would never (be underlined the word) have been selected for federal funding."

"Since most of the costs are under the control of the grantee (SEMTA), the government limits its participation to a set amount," Ettinger said.

STATE GOVERNMENT is also wary of picking up the differential, although New Detroit President Walter Douglas urged senators to do so.

The Senate Transportation Committee is dominated by conservative suburban Republicans — Fessler, Doug Cruce of Troy and Kirby Holmes of Utica — who are not known for their love for Detroit.

Fessler's questions were aimed at emphasizing that SEMTA officials knew a year before they made it public

that the People Mover project would cost far more than the budgeted \$137 million.

"Their assumption was that once we're started, it will be continued and finished," Fessler said. In a post-hearing interview, he cited a San Francisco bridge "just hanging there" because voters refused taxes to complete a freeway. He also joked about using some of the 173 concrete beams as "viewing stands for the Grand Prix" auto race.

Hosts sought for students

Youth Exchange Service (YES) is inviting American families to host teenage students from all over the world.

The 15 to 18-year-olds would come for three months or one second semester (six months), arriving in December 1984 and January 1985.

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Elk basketball winners named

Plymouth Elks Lodge 1780 announce the winners of its Free Throw Contest held last month at Plymouth Salem High School.

The following were winners in each age group in the basketball free throw shooting contest: Scott Cavey, boys 8-9;

Kelly Holmes, girls 8-9; Shawn Hart, boys 10-11; Becky Bain, girls 10-11; Kevin Holmes, boys 12-13; and Brehja Cavey, girls 12-13.

The youth will compete in the Southeast District Free Throw Contest to be held Jan. 12 at Salem High School.

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CEP YULE CONCERT

Thursday, Dec. 7 — The Plymouth Centennial Educational Park (CEP) concert and symphony bands, directed by James R. Griffith, will present their annual Christmas Concert at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium of Plymouth Salem High, Joy Road west of Canton Center Road. Admission is free.

SANTA'S WORKSHOP

Friday, Dec. 7 — Santa's Workshop, an annual event to give students an opportunity to do their own Christmas shopping without parents, will be held at Miller School from 9:15 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Items range from 10 cents to \$4 and include selections for the family. Santa's Workshop is sponsored by Miller PTO.

PERFORM AT EASTERN

Friday, Dec. 7 — The Plymouth Community Band, directed by Carl Battishill, will perform in concert at 8 p.m. with the symphony band of Eastern Michigan University in Pease Auditorium on the EMU campus in Ypsilanti. Admission is free.

FOOD DRIVE TELETHON

Saturday, Dec. 8 — The Salvation Army and Omnicom Cablevision are joining for a telethon food drive entitled "Baskets Filled with Love" which will begin at noon in Omnicom studios and be telecast on channels 8 and 15. Residents are encouraged to bring canned goods to feed the needy to the studios at 8465 Ronda Dr., south of Joy between Lilley and Haggerty in Canton. Santa will be there along with juggling, clowns, magicians, carolling, and other activities. Telethon guests include Doug English, Eddie Murray and David Lewis from the Detroit Lions.

plus radio personalities Anne Carlini, Sue Carter, Brad Bianchi, Paul Snyder, Greg Anthony, Vince Doyle, Steve Vanort, Robbin Sullivan, and Tom Dean, and Wayne County Executive William Lucas. Residents may make contributions with cash or check by calling 459-7335; Visa and Master Charge accepted. The telethon benefits the Salvation Army for its work in Plymouth, Canton, Northville, Belleville area.

EMPLOYEE DISCOUNT WEEK

Saturday, Dec. 8 — The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring an "Employee Discount Week" through Dec. 8. Many businesses in Plymouth will offer discounts of 10-30 percent this week. Employee discount cards are available to any employee in Plymouth and may be picked up 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Chamber office, 188 N. Main. This card entitles employees to discounts at participating merchants.

MADONNA CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Sunday, Dec. 9 — The Madonna College Chorale will present its annual Christmas concert at 4:30 p.m. in Kresge Hall on the Madonna campus at 1-96 and Levan, Livonia. Admission is \$2 for adults, \$1 for senior citizens and students. The concert features faculty members John C. Redmon, conductor, and Linette Popoff, pianist. Music will be by Gruber, Schroeder and Walton with chamber orchestra.

CALLING SANTA

Dec. 10-12 — Plymouth Jaycees will conduct its annual "Calling Santa" project in conjunction with the Plymouth branch of the Community Federal Credit Union. Parents can have their children call Santa or Mrs. Claus and tell them their Christmas wishes 6-8:30 p.m. on Dec. 10, 11, 12. The phone number to the North Pole is 453-1200.

SMITH PFO

Tuesday, Dec. 11 — Smith Elementary PFO will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the school's media center. All parents welcome.

MADONNA CHAMBER ENSEMBLE

Tuesday, Dec. 11 — The Instrumental Chamber Ensemble of Madonna College will present a winter concert at 7:30 p.m. in Kresge Hall at the college, 1-696 and Levan in Livonia. The concert is free and open to the public. Featured will be Kelly Ferris, violinist, and Madonna music instructor Linette Popoff, pianist.

POLISH CAROLS

Sunday, Dec. 16 — Polish Christmas Carols, sung by the Polish Chorale directed by Bronislaw Siarkowski, at 3 p.m. at the activities center of Madonna College, 35500 Schoolcraft at Levan in Livonia. Free admission. For more information call 464-7996 or 939-3407.

DINNER THEATER TRIP

Sunday, Dec. 16 — The Y Travellers will be travelling to Toledo for dinner theater at Westgate. The price of \$27 per person includes a buffet, the stage show "Annie," and transportation. The bus will depart the Plymouth Cultural Center, Farmer at Theodore, at 10 a.m. and return at about 5 p.m. For more information, call the Plymouth Community Family YMCA at 453-2904.

SNOWMOBILE SAFETY

Monday, Dec. 17 — Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Community Education Department and the Wayne County Sheriff's Department are co-

sponsoring a snowmobile safety training class for boys and girls ages 12-16 who wish to operate a snowmobile and must receive a snowmobile safety training certificate.

The training consists of eight classroom hours from 7-9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, Dec. 17-20, in the cafeteria of Plymouth Canton High on Canton Center Road just south of Joy. Students must attend all four class sessions. Registration will be limited. To guarantee a spot, pre-register by calling the community education office at 451-6660. The registration fee of \$2 will be collected at the first class session.

CARIBBEAN CRUISE

Tuesday, Jan. 8 — The city of Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department in cooperation with Blanco Travel and Tours is sponsoring a 13-day/12-night trip to southern Florida, including a three-day Caribbean cruise. The trip departs Jan. 8 and the charge is \$699 based on double occupancy. Tour includes bus transportation, four nights hotel accommodations to and from Florida, two nights hotel accommodations in Orlando, three days and nights aboard a Caribbean cruise ship, one full day at Nassau, Bahamas, three days at the Hollywood Beach Hilton Hotel. For information, call the recreation department at 455-6620.

TRIP TO FLORIDA

Jan. 24-Feb. 4 — The Plymouth

Community 'Y' Travelers is planning a trip to Florida by bus including seven nights at the Holiday Inn in Clearwater Beach and two overnight accommodations each way. Trip includes dinner and theater in Tike Gardens, admission to Weeki-Wachee (the City of Live Mermaids), Captain Andersons Boat Cruise, John's Pass Village (craft and shopping area), admission to Derby Lane greyhound dog track, dining, dancing at Coliseum Ballroom in St. Pete, bingo party. The charge is \$559 per person (double occupancy only). A \$50 payment will be accepted now to guarantee space and final payment is due no

later than 45 days before scheduled departure date.

LAS VEGAS TRIP

Jan. 24-27 — Plymouth Active Senior Elks, in cooperation with Berkley Tours, is sponsoring a four-day, three-night trip to Las Vegas at the Stardust Hotel. Trip includes air transportation, hotel, baggage handling and transfers between hotel and airport. Discount auto rental and fun books available. Payment of \$260 per person (based on double occupancy) is due Dec. 24, payable to Berkley Tours, 23777 Greenfield Road No. 108, Southfield 48075.

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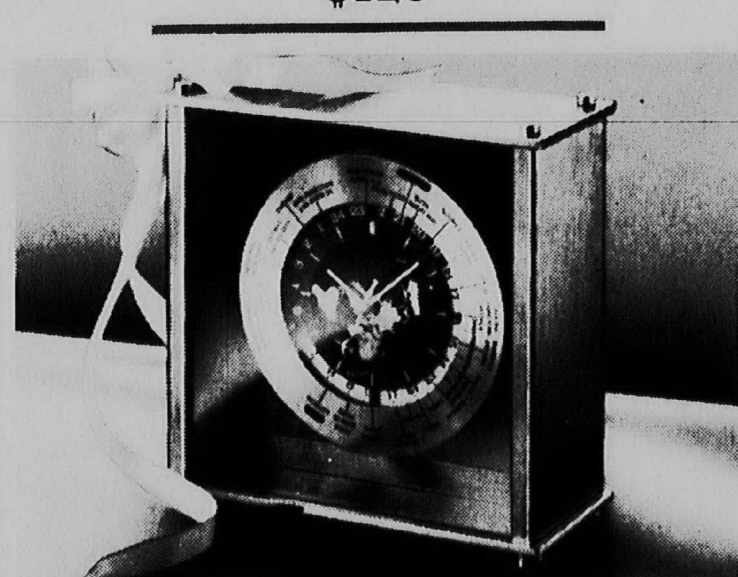
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Keith's statewide banking bill boosted

By Tim Richard
staff writer

On one hand, they're hailing it as a magnificent compromise — the first major overhaul of Michigan branch banking laws since 1945.

On the other hand, key lawmakers doubt the package can be passed this year or even in the 1985 session of the Legislature.

"The package is dead," said state Rep. William Keith, D-Garden City. Keith is acknowledged by Democrats and Republicans alike as the House's top authority on banking. "You could write a novel on it."

Keith is author of a key bill that would allow statewide branch banking in three years. For four decades, Michigan has prohibited banks from doing business more than 25 miles from their

home offices, a law intended to protect small-town banks from big-bank competition.

TROY REPUBLICAN SEN. Doug Cruce, a member of the Senate Commerce Committee, which last week approved Keith's bill and a package of banking changes, frowned as he considered the obstacles to passage of Keith's bill — despite endorsements from Gov. James J. Blanchard, banking and labor leaders.

• The package is coming up late in the legislative session.

• "Bankers don't all like the formula" for easing usury laws. In recent years, several small loan companies have left Michigan because of interest rate controls. One bill would allow interest rate ceilings to float above current national market rates. "The

indexes could be lower than the rates we've got," Cruce said.

• "Insurance people don't like the credit life insurance provisions," he said. If a lender provides access to credit life insurance and receives a commission, one bill sets minimum standards to assure a fair premium rate, according to a Senate analysis.

• "A two-thirds 'supermajority' is needed to pass banking legislation. If one or two groups don't like something ... well, it's hard to get 28 favorable votes in the Senate."

Nevertheless, the Senate Commerce Committee, chaired by Republican Dick Posthumus of Lowell, gave the package of House and Senate bills 4-0 approval.

KEITH'S BRANCH banking bill could make the history books.

In 1928 and 1930, two bank holding companies were formed. "They squeezed out the other banks," Keith said, "and one of them went defunct in the depression of 1933."

The U.S. Congress moved to the aid of small-town "unit" banks (those with a single office). Its Banking Act of 1933 provided insured bank accounts.

In 1941, a group of banks in Battle Creek, Grand Rapids, Lansing and several other cities formed Michigan National Bank. Small-town bankers, seeing a threat, won passage of a state law in 1945 to restrict branch banking.

Under that law, banks headquartered in cities of more than 75,000 were prohibited from setting up branches more than 25 miles from their home bases, or setting up a branch in a city or village where another bank already is operating.

Banking had a bad name in 1944-45 when bankers, lenders, race-track owners and others were accused of bribing Michigan legislators. All together, 123 persons, including 16 legislators, were indicted and 44 convicted. In January 1945, state Sen. Warren Hooper, R-Albion, was shot to death and his car set afire, one day before he was to testify before a grand jury.

A BREAKTHROUGH came in 1971 when the Michigan Legislature permitted formation of bank holding companies — companies that owned the stock of several other banks. The state saw the birth of Comerica, Michigan National Banks (plural), the Manufacturers and the NBD groups.

Next on the agenda for the banks is statewide branch banking.

"I'm for statewide branch banking," Keith said, "But I'm not so politically

naive as to assume we're going to get it."

One impetus for it is the mobility of Michigan's population. With statewide branch banking, a person in metropolitan Detroit with a cottage in Traverse City could deal with a single bank.

A banker (Manufacturers) for 20 years before being elected to the House in 1972, Keith noted a second impetus toward statewide branches:

"The community bank group gets smaller each year through mergers. They are family owned. Grandpa founded it, the kids started as tellers and now run it. I think they do a good job for the farm community."

"My concern is with the clique-type bank. Say you come into town to start a discount drug store, and you're Jewish. The local pharmacist is on the board of the bank. You can't get a loan."



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Wayne County Closeup

Students from Plymouth Christian Academy in Canton, shown here in the 13th floor auditorium of the City/County Building in downtown Detroit, were among hundreds of students representing high schools throughout the county to participate in the two-day "Wayne County Closeup" program

exploring city and county government. Listening to Commissioner Mary Dumas, whose 10th District includes Plymouth, explain the responsibilities of the legislative branch are Lynette Carmer, Lisa Austin, Rod Windle, Valerie Andree, Tim Groth, James McCarthy and government class in-

structor Jeff Cook. The program included a series of seminars at the Veteran's Memorial Building with speakers Erma Henderson, president, Detroit City Council; County Sheriff Robert Ficano; County Prosecutor John O'Hair; and County Executive William Lucas.

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7:30 p.m. . . . High school girls basketball Game of the Week — Basketball regionals.

FRIDAY (Dec. 7)

11 a.m. . . . Prime Time — Some money management tips are discussed.
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MONDAY (Dec. 10)

7 p.m. . . . Monday Night Music Special — "Rock Review" featuring rock music from the '60s and '70s with host Michael D. Lyndrup.

TUESDAY (Dec. 11)

5:05 p.m. . . . Family Report — A public affairs series about current issues affecting families.

WEDNESDAY (Dec. 12)

6:10 p.m. . . . Community Focus with host Noelle Torrance. Public affairs/interview program discussing issues affecting Plymouth and Canton.

THURSDAY (Dec. 13)

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Reagan aide prods exporters

By Tim Richard
staff writer

"Think exports."

The Reagan Administration's top export promoter gave southeastern Michigan industrialists that two-word message at a dinner meeting last week in Orchard Lake Country Club.

"What's missing in our effort is an export mentality. We've never had to think exports before," said Paula Unruh, deputy assistant secretary for international trade administration in the U.S. Department of Commerce.

While the strength of the U.S. dollar keeps prices of American goods high and hinders exports, she said, American firms must be convinced that "there's someone over there waiting for your product."

Unruh repeated the Reagan belief in free trade and disbelief in such protectionist measures as tariffs, quotas and domestic content requirements.

THE AUDIENCE consisted of more than 100 foreign firms which have invested in the tri-county region of south-east Michigan.

Hosting them for cocktails and prime rib were Oakland County Executive Daniel T. Murphy, Wayne County Executive William Lucas, Macomb County Board Chairman Patrick Johnson and three utilities — Consumers Power Co., Michigan Bell Telephone and Detroit Edison Co.

The group included representatives of Intraco, Kokusan Kingoku Kogyo Co. Ltd., Marubeni America Corp., Lufthansa German Airlines and Japan Airlines, all of Southfield; Kyocer International and Hegenscheidt Corp., both of Troy; Froude Engineering and

American Yazaki Corp., both of Livonia; Air Industrie System Corp. of Birmingham; Durr Industries of Plymouth; Sammis America Corp. of West Bloomfield; Wendt Grinding Corp. of Rochester and Atlas Copco Inc., of Farmington Hills.

DETROIT EDISON Chairman Walter J. McCarthy Jr., master of ceremonies, praised the three counties for working together to promote industry. McCarthy also called attention to the efforts of the six Great Lakes states to work together for common purposes.

Macomb's Johnson said a foreign firm spends \$100,000 annually for a one-person operation and \$50,000 for each additional worker.

The tri-county region has 226 foreign firms, double the number in 1980, and they employ 25,000 workers, four times the 1980 total, Johnson said.

Most prominent investing countries are (in order) Japan, Germany, the United Kingdom and Canada, he added.

UNRUH, A former Oklahoma Republican state chairperson and one-time congressional aide, said U.S. efforts to help exporters are still meager compared to other countries.

"Canada has 125 persons promoting trade to the U.S. The U.S. has 15 promoting trade to Canada. The U.S. balance of trade deficit with Canada is \$20 billion," she said.

But Unruh said staffing is unlikely to improve as Reagan attempts to pare the \$200 billion federal deficit by spending cuts.

"We're the government. We're here to help. That line used to get a lot of laughs, but you are getting your money's worth," she said.

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No conspiracy charges in Williams 'ritual'

By Kathy Parrish
staff writer

Concerned about court backup, Oakland County's prosecutor won't press conspiracy charges against peace activists arrested this week outside a Commerce Township defense supplier's.

"We didn't have the facts this time to support a conspiracy charge — no documentation," said chief prosecuting attorney Richard Thompson.

"The courts aren't sympathetic to our actions, and it would have been a waste of time."

IN 52ND DISTRICT Court in Walled Lake, the peace activists Monday pled guilty to refusing to obey police officers' traffic orders and molesting and disturbing persons in pursuit of occupation.

District Judge Michael Batchik fined each \$100 with no jail time. He could have sentenced them up to 90 days in jail for the misdemeanors.

Oakland Circuit Court Chief Judge Francis X. O'Brien Tuesday found the 13 guilty of civil contempt of a court injunction against trespassing at Williams. All are free while waiting for sentencing Friday morning.

Previous civil disobedients are challenging in Michigan Court of Appeals civil contempt rulings which require them to promise not to return to Williams.

THIRTEEN PEACE activists were arrested Monday morning while blocking traffic into Williams International.

The protest marked the one-year anniversary of a weeklong anti-nuclear arms demonstration during which 54 people were arrested.

Four of those arrested took part in the previous civil disobedience and still have District Court charges pending against them.

Holding a banner reading "Work for Life" made by the Honey Bear Child Care Center in Ann Arbor, the 13 stood in front of workers' cars until they were arrested.

Williams is a target of peace groups because its product powers low-flying cruise missiles.

Williams also manufactures turbine engines for cars and trucks, industrial gas turbines and low pollution turbines for generating electric power from natural gas and coal.

SPONSORED BY the Ann Arbor Peace Community, Monday's civil disobedience has been planned since September. A prayer service Sunday kicked off the activity. It was followed by non-violence training for those planning to break an Oakland County Circuit Court injunction against trespassing.

Despite the preplanning, the prosecutor's office decided to forgo the controversial conspiracy charges it pursued against previous offenders.

Unhappy with previous local District Court rulings in the peace cases, the prosecution was disappointed this time, too. It had requested the defendants get jail time or do community service as a penalty.

The prosecution also asked that they pay taxpayers back for expenses in-

curred by the county because of the civil disobedience. "I think the court should have obliged them and given them the jail time they requested," said the chief assistant prosecutor.

THOMPSON SAID 20 police officers were on duty Monday, and members of his office had to write warrants and go to court.

"A lot of manpower was utilized — all for the sake of demonstrators who could have made their point as well through letters to the editor," said Thompson.

"We are disturbed that this whole activity is turning into a ritual in which a lot of law enforcement time is taken up to protect the peace. And the courts don't back us up."

TAKING PART in the civil disobedience at Williams for the second time were: Dorothy Henderson-Whitmarsh, Ann Arbor, nurse; Doug Hamm, Ann Arbor, teacher; the Rev. Carlton Foltz, Pontiac, minister; and David Braun of Ann Arbor, farmer.

Also arrested were: Maria Ringo, Detroit, student; Barbara Wetula, Ann Arbor, nurse; Carter Cortelyou, Ann Arbor, student; Jeff Smith, Grand Rapids; Dean Abbot, Detroit, a worker at Catholic Worker House; Ralph Townsend, Woodland; Robert B. Larkin, Ann Arbor, Michigan director of the nuclear arms control group SANE; Ken Jannot, Ann Arbor, student; and Mike O'Neill, Ann Arbor, student.

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After miscarriage, a couple needs support

The support and understanding of others is important when we grieve the loss of a loved one. When a married couple loses an unborn child, however, they often are deprived of support because most people who have never experienced a miscarriage fail to understand how significant this loss can be.

Friends and relatives, regardless of what their beliefs might be regarding the beginning of human life, find it difficult to appreciate the impact of the loss. They never had seen the child, never related with the child, never even heard stories about the child. For them, emotionally, the child had not

yet become a real person.

FOR THE FATHER and mother, however, the unborn child was very much a real person.

From the time they learned of the pregnancy, the parents began to make adjustments in their thinking and lifestyle in order to prepare for a new addition to the family.

Frequent references to the unborn child became commonplace in the couple's conversations, often with nodding or pointing toward the mother's womb. As they spoke to each other about the developing child and silently dreamed



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Dennis Sugrue

about a hopeful future, the child took on an identity as an integral member of the family.

In such a short time this new family member had already begun to further enrich the couple's life. Then suddenly

and abruptly, with the miscarriage, he or she was dead.

FOLLOWING A miscarriage, the hopes and dreams for the future are replaced with uncertainty, fear and guilt. Despite the doctors' assurances, the

couple wonders: Was there something physically wrong? Will future pregnancies also abort or result in birth defects?

The wife taunts herself with the question whether she took proper care of herself during those critical weeks of her pregnancy.

The husband wonders whether he should have done more to lighten the load so that his wife would not have had to over-exert herself.

FAMILY AND friends fail to be supportive because they don't understand. They expect the grieving parents to

"bounce back" quickly from one of "life's setbacks." With good intentions, they offer the comforting thought "Well, at least you can have more children."

Little do they realize that their statement is the same as saying to a woman who just lost her husband, "Well, at least you can marry again." In the midst of bereavement, we are not interested in replacements for what we have lost.

The miscarriage can also potentially place strain on the marriage. The couple is not only deprived of the support of family and friends, but also of the strength and support of each other.

The husband and wife likely experience intense emotions following the miscarriage, but the tendency is to hide these emotions from each other behind a facade of reason, anger or well-being.

The husband, feeling obliged to conform to stereotyped roles, attempts to be strong and rational. The wife, reacting to what appears to be callousness, concludes that her husband blames her for being physically defective. One may blame the other for wanting the pregnancy in the first place.

A miscarriage represents a significant loss. It requires time for an emotional healing. The sensitivity of family and friends can be helpful. The honest and open sharing of feelings between the couple is essential.

Dennis Sugrue is a Farmington Hills resident and a clinical psychologist at Henry Ford Hospital. He welcomes questions and topics for future articles, but is unable to answer questions on an individual basis. Questions and topics may be sent to this newspaper.

Where do animals go during day?

By Timothy Nowicki
special writer

WHEN I drove the baby-sitter home one evening last week, we saw an opossum in front of her house.

It did not like the bright car headlights and quickly ambled around the corner. Spotting the opossum reminded me that most mammals are nocturnal, or are active at night. Squirrels and chipmunks are examples of diurnal mammals, or those active during the day.

Many of us have seen skunk, rac-

nature

coons and opossum at night, but where do they go during the day? If you see one during the day, it's probably a road kill from the night before.

A SLOW, careful walk through the woods during the day can reveal some of their resting places.

I was walking through Bicentennial Woods in Livonia recently and found a large beech tree that had broken about 15 feet above the ground. The damage, probably from lightning, occurred a while ago because the wood had begun to soften and rot.

This, however, is a perfect place for

a raccoon to spend the day. Some wood chips at the base of the tree indicated an animal had been doing a little house cleaning lately. If the tree is soft enough from decay, you can see scratch marks left by the animal's claws as they climb up and down.

Along the Rouge River in Hines Park, I found a family of three young raccoons and their mother in a large willow tree. Later during the year, I saw them in another large tree hollow, but this one was not big enough to hold them all. One was barely visible as he laid flat on top of an old squirrel nest. If I had not looked closely, I would not have seen him.

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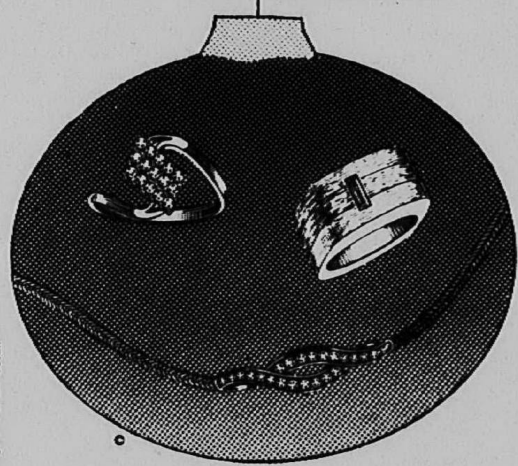
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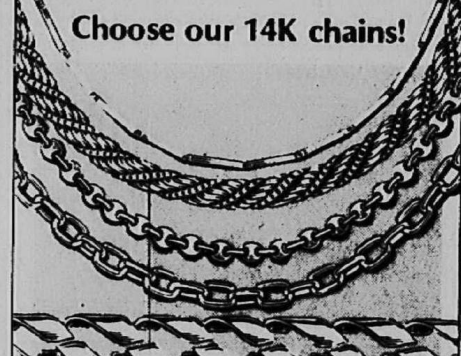
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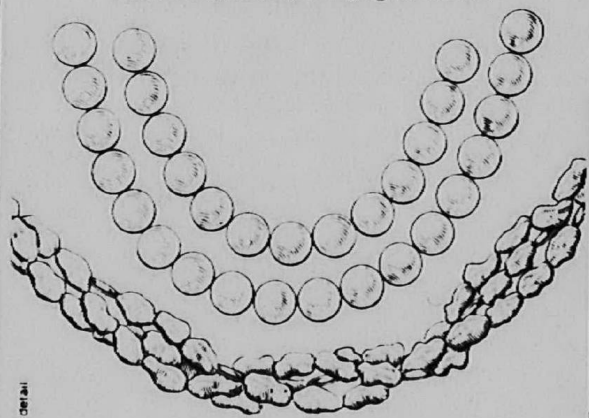
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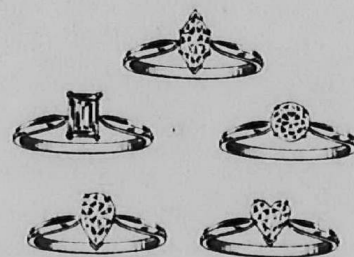
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SAT score poor success indicator for athletes — UM

Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) scores fail to predict a student athlete's academic achievement in college, a University of Michigan study has concluded. It opposes use of SAT scores to screen athletes.

A strong academic "support program" is a far more powerful influence on school success than are SAT scores for students trying to combine sports participation, practice, course work and studying. That conclusion comes from researchers in U-M's Reading and Learning Skills Center and School of Education.

They oppose a proposed National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) ruling that would limit a freshman's sports participation to those students with a combined verbal and math SAT score of at least 700.

The rule would disqualify large numbers of freshmen players and particularly black athletes, they predict.

"PROPOSAL 48, slated to go into effect in 1986, is intended to toughen academic requirements and improve the scholastic standings of student athletes," the researchers explain.

"But we question whether the SAT accurately measures the ability of many individuals to do college work, particularly when a strong academic support program is provided."

If Proposal 48 had been applied to the 115 football recruits who entered the U-M between 1979 and 1983, the 700 cut-off score would have disqualified more than a third of the freshmen players, the study shows.

Forty-three students would have been excluded, including 31 blacks.

"Only four of these 43 actually failed. Thirty-nine made the NCAA's minimum grade point average (1.6 or above) for athletic eligibility in their freshman year," the authors said. "Thus, the score of 700 grossly underestimates the athletes' potential for success."

THE STUDY was conducted by education Prof.

Donald E. P. Smith, founder and former director of the Reading and Learning Skills Center; Rowena M. Wilhelm, the current director; Timothy L. Walter, assistant director and supervisor of the student-athlete academic support program; George Hoey, academic advisor to the student athletes; and Samuel D. Miller, graduate research assistant.

The center's program for athletes, begun in 1981, provides intensive training in academic skills such as notetaking, essay writing, speed reading and time management, services it also provides to all university students. In addition freshmen athletes must also attend a two hour study table five evenings per week.

Individual tutoring is available to any student who requests it, but is required for those students whose high school preparation and aptitude identifies them as "high risk."

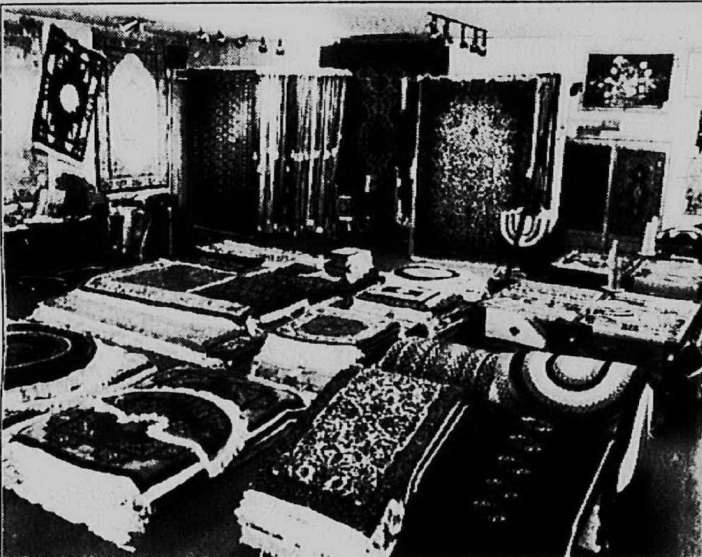
"Attendance in these special activities is considered as important as attendance at practice and games," the researchers stress. "The coaching staff at U-M continually emphasizes the importance of academic success."

THE ACADEMIC support program benefits the athletic department as well as the students, the researchers point out, because it helps insure that the students will remain eligible to play. Even students who have their sights set on professional athletics want to graduate, and to earn credentials for a second career.

"Furthermore, one of the most serious deterrents to academic success is the 'strong back-week mind' stereotype, which not only influences the athlete's self-image but faculty grading decisions, especially with reference to blacks," the researchers state.

"Some blacks speak and write a black dialect, which is perceived by some teachers as poor English."

The study's conclusion, that Proposal 48 discriminates against black athletes, is similar to that reached by the NCAA's special Committee on Academic Research.



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A graduate student at the time, I remember driving home that evening from the research laboratory. Barely able to see through my windshield, I drove at no more than five miles per hour.

ON SEVERAL occasions, the car slid on icy road spots. I became more and more nervous. Apparently the earlier rain had now frozen beneath the fresh layer of snow.

After what seemed like hours, I finally reached the driveway of our apartment. I was pleased to see that the manager had hired a plow to clear the parking lot.

I walked through the heavy deep snow and entered our second floor apartment. The room seemed particularly warm. I picked up the evening paper and turned on the television set.

"It looks like we're going to get an-



fitness
Barry Franklin

other 6 to 8 inches tonight," the weatherman said.

I was glad to be inside.

AFTER DINNER I remember gazing for some time out our large picture window. I became mesmerized by the snowfall. It was hard to believe that these beautiful white flakes were such a menace to me only a few hours earlier.

That night I went to bed rather early. I must have been around 10:30 or so. At 10:40, however, I jumped from a sound sleep to answer my ringing telephone. It was a fellow graduate student.

"Barry, Dr. Burg is dead!"

"I can't believe it," I exclaimed.

Seems he went outside around 9 o'clock to shovel his driveway. He never returned. His wife became concerned, went outside and found him lying in the snow. Although the EMS promptly responded, they couldn't re-

vive him. They told his wife it was either a heart attack or a cardiac arrest.

DR. BURG was our laboratory physician who had assisted many graduate students with their research. He was a close friend. He was only 61.

It seems that each year this story is repeated over and over again. The names and places change, but the tragic results are always the same. Unfortunately, too few people truly realize the hazards of shoveling snow, particularly for elderly individuals or those with heart problems.

The Christmas holiday that year is one the Burg family will always remember.

A Farmington Hills resident, Barry Franklin, Ph.D., teaches physiology at the college level and is co-director of cardiac rehabilitation at Sinai Hospital.

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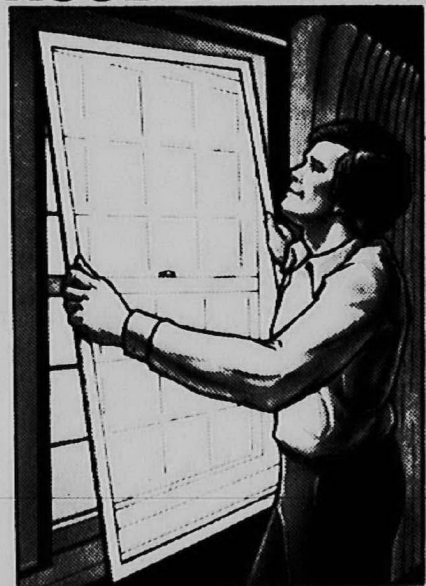
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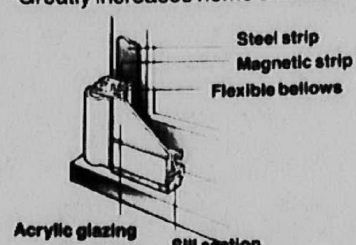


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Suburbs for prisons, according to Young

THE IMAGE of Detroit among out-of-towners has been examined in depth recently, but what about the image Detroit Mayor Coleman Young has of everything outside of his town?

YOUNG ACKNOWLEDGES there are people out here, but mostly they are people who gave up unnecessarily on Detroit. They sped out of the city to the cornfields to live in characterless subdivisions and a middle-class, white version of a comfortable existence.

They left Detroit, a lot of blacks and a lot of people with too few skills to try to solve the problem of how to live in an aging city losing its economic verve. They kept coming back to the downtown office buildings each day only because of their jobs. Except for the more adventurous younger workers, they fled the city at twilight.

They adopted an intolerant attitude about Detroit, its poverty, its social problems and its increasingly black makeup. They exploited whatever services the city still maintained and complained about paying a commuter tax to support those services.

Young works around the attitudes he perceives by convincing captains of commerce and industry and some government leaders that they must take steps to put off, slow or stop Detroit's decline.

YOUNG, WHO must appreciate his own dramatic flair and glib salesmanship, is embarked on a new mission — to sell the idea of law and order, police protection, searches and seizures in the high schools and more prisons to get the goons and animals off the streets.

In the process, he complains, that the now popular clamor for more prisons in-



Bob Wisler

cludes a contingent which want to build prisons in Detroit. Characteristically, Young views this as an attempt to saddle Detroit with more problems and wants to put the problems instead out where other people will have to deal with them.

Young wants prisons built and developed in Plymouth and Northville townships, which already have a surfeit of non-taxable institutions, some no longer used and in a state of disrepair.

YOUNG COMPLAINED that the suburban communities are discouraging such talk, saying they want instead to import industry, commercial buildings and high-priced housing which will add to their property tax bases. "They want to put the damn prisons in Detroit and the factories out in the cornfields," Young said.

Here is Young in a moment of candor. He views the areas in western Wayne County as cornfields. There are no political or social problems here — certainly not of the magnitude of Detroit's. Heck, there aren't even people out there, just cornfields.

The fact is that it makes a great deal of sense to have prisons in Detroit as well as Jackson, Marquette, Ionia and the cornfields of Wayne County. And the suburbs, the state government and the Legislature should resist Young's attempts to use the suburbs according to Young's view of the word.



Tradition blinds judges

"**LAWYERS ARE** so conservative, they're afraid to greet the new moon for fear of offending the old."

That jibe isn't original. I heard it from Oakland Circuit Judge Gene Schnelz, who has a deliciously irreverent sense of humor for one in such an august position.

I was reminded of it when reading the bad news that the U.S. Judicial Conference has refused to lift its ban on cameras and tape recorders in courtrooms.

It cited a survey showing that lifting the ban was opposed by 78 percent of active and retired federal appellate and trial judges.

AT ONE TIME there were solid reasons for banning cameras in courtrooms.

In the 1920s, news cameras required flash powders for adequate lighting — clearly disruptive. Until a little more than 20 years ago, news photographers used flashbulbs and strobe lights — also distracting.

The ban on TV cameras came after a sensational trial in the '50s when participants tripped on power cables crossing the courtroom floor.

Today news photographers use small, hand-held, 35 mm cameras with fast films that require no flashes. The TV folks have lightweight mini-cams that are almost as unobtrusive.

Try telling that to the tradition-en-crusted federal judges.



Tim Richard

IN MICHIGAN courtrooms, artists are allowed to work because judges understand pencils and crayons whereas they don't understand electronic cameras.

Covering the Picano vs. Pittman-Lucas case over the Wayne County sheriff's job last year, I observed a TV artist at work. The scratching of the artist's pencils was clearly audible throughout the proceedings. Every so often, the artist would tear off a sheet and drop it to the floor. Courtroom spectators rubber-necked her work.

The artist was more conspicuous than a TV mini-cam would have been. Yet even she was not disruptive.

The notion that lawyers would grandstand for a TV camera is preposterous. They grandstand anyway — well, some of them do. The lawyers defending the old Wayne County Road Commission were outstanding grandstanders. They never talked less than 25 minutes, even to convey five minutes worth of arguments.

When they ran out of things to say, they repeated themselves.

They should have been televised. Proud as I am of my written words, I couldn't convey the utter bombast of those lawyers in print.

ONE FELLOW who is less than impressed with lawyers and court procedures these days is L. Brooks Patterson, Oakland County prosecutor.

Patterson's political opponent asked Circuit Court for a grand jury investigation of the office days before the Nov. 7 election. The circuit judges waited until after the election before deciding, 14-0, there was no cause for such an extraordinary investigation.

Patterson's twin responses were 1) his opponent engaged in a "frivolous, patently political maneuver" and 2) he himself was "extremely bitter at being put through this meat grinder."

While I have little sympathy for Patterson's death penalty campaign, candor compels me to say that this time he is right. In every election year, a politician files a lawsuit against his/her opponent in order to capture headlines or prime-time coverage. As soon as the polls close, the suit is forgotten.

Despite Patterson's 69 percent victory, it was regrettable the judges couldn't have acted prior to election day.

We all share duty to be knowledgeable

By Michael J. Bologna
special writer

LIKE SO MANY Americans today, a large part of my youth was spent in the suburbs, where one grows up with the feeling that the world is all green and fruitful. We grow up thinking that preservation and perpetuation of what we know and see around us is what we should aspire to.

I recently read a book called "The Dean's Decree" by Saul Bellow. In the story, the hero Albert Corde, a journalist, professor and dean of a university in Chicago, does an odd thing. He writes a series of articles that unmask a society of corruption and shame.

The things he says have been said before but no one ever said them quite like Albert Corde. The public's response is less than friendly.

One might ask why someone at the top of the world would want to throw his cards to the wind? Why would someone attempt to tell people things they already know (or are at least suspicious of) but don't want to hear?

I once saw a Viet Nam veteran in Detroit talking about an American plane that sprayed napalm on him and the rest of his platoon. He survived with his right arm burned into eternal uselessness but his friends were not so "lucky." He said he wanted to tell people about what happened to him. He said he wanted to communicate his little corner of truth to a world that was only worried about baseball scores. He said he wanted to talk about it every night on the 6 o'clock news until people started to throw up.

WE ALL KNOW some pretty harsh things happen outside of the suburbs. Then again some pretty unsettling things go on right inside the suburbs as Albert Corde would have us know. Perhaps we don't want to look too closely.

Indeed, why look at all? Aren't we a nation of plenty — a front of democracy where life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness are given?

I think we are fooling ourselves every time we turn the channel on our television when a Viet Nam veteran comes on to tell his stories or a member of the academic world tells us about problems in our own city.

We have a responsibility to be knowledgeable. The Albert Cordes and Viet Nam vets in this world are special people. They've seen a small corner of

truth and are so concerned and upset by what they've seen that they want the rest of the world to understand this truth, this pain.

In fact, what these people are trying to do is "... prevent the American idea from being pounded into dust," as Bellow tells us. People write and say unsettling things because they fear for our cherished notions of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

This is the unique job of the American writer.

ALL TOO OFTEN people decide that the world lives happily ever after because they have become selectively blind.

But some people are blessed (or wounded, depending on how you look at the situation) with an understanding of people or events that weep for righteousness. Understanding what is provides these people with the moral fortitude to tell the world about what could be. These people don't seem too worried about perpetuation.

Bellow says, "In the American moral crisis, the first requirement was to experience what was happening and to see what must be seen." A journey into the unfriendly fringes of our existence brings knowledge of the truth. We have an obligation to experience the truth and at the very least, to witness it on the 6 o'clock news and in the streets of our own cities.

The job of the American writer, one of those rare people who have been frightened by the truth enough to become angry and get on a soap box, is to represent his small journey into truth. Bellow says, "... the first act of morality was to dis-senter the reality, retrieve reality, dig it out of the trash, represent it as new as art would represent it."

We must understand the truth and respect those who take chances in their lives by attempting to retrieve reality. Experiential truth has moral force. It calls out from the perceived world that Americans seem so complacently jolly to perpetuate.

The world needs to listen, and experience.

Through listening and experiencing comes understanding the truth, comes the moral force from which needed change can come.

(The writer, Michael J. Bologna, graduated from Plymouth Salem High in 1978 and then earned a degree in English literature from University of Michigan. He now is a Peace Corps volunteer teaching English in Nepal.)

Patience — the St. Mary story

PATIENCE REWARDED.

No two words in the English language can better describe the story of St. Mary Hospital, which this weekend celebrates its silver anniversary.

From the day the subject of a hospital was discussed with the Felician Sisters, the plans and hopes have been delayed and suspended at times.

When the Felician Sisters first purchased a parcel of farm land in Livonia, there was no thought of a hospital. The land — between Schoolcraft, Five Mile, Newburgh and Levan roads — was purchased to establish a new home for the order.

That was back in 1926. **THE FIRST** group to mention the hospital idea was local medical doctors. That was in 1948. But their plan went no further than just an idea.

Next year the newly formed Livonia Chamber of Commerce decided that one of the main things the area needed, besides an independent post office and a home bank, was a hospital.

The chamber called on Mother May Januaria, head of the Felician order, and the hospital idea was given a new birth.

"We are an order of mercy," she said, "and I would be glad to seek permission to build a hospital if you will promise your support."

The promise was made. Mother Januaria immediately asked the head of her or-



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der for permission to build a hospital. Approval was granted in two months. Then came the need of approval from Rome. That took two years.

THE DREAM WAS delayed again when it was learned that federal Hill-Burton Act funds were not available at the time. This was a sad blow.

Another test of patience came when the fund-raising firm that Mother Januaria signed failed miserably and was dismissed. It was even more heart-breaking when local industries would not contribute because they were interested in the new organization of a Detroit Building Fund.

The idea lay dormant for a time.

Then after several years came good news. Edward Cardinal Mooney, archbishop of Detroit, approved the plan, and it was learned the Hill-Burton money was available. Plans moved ahead. But this was not until 1955 — six years after the idea was first mentioned to Mother Januaria.

THE NEXT good news was that Sister Mary Columbine and Sister Mary

Calasanta were brought in to supervise the construction and operation of a hospital.

Sister Columbine, after a complete study of the program, found that the major job was to develop good public relations with the population — regardless of color, race or creed.

To that end she appointed a board that included a representative of each of the five communities to be served — Livonia, Plymouth, Farmington, Northville and Redford.

The dream was showing signs of coming true.

It was made positive after Sister Mary Columbine spoke to the board of directors of Ford Motor Co. and industry made the contributions which assured the hospital.

FINALLY IT was built and had room for 175 beds. On Dec. 15, 1958 the Rev. Msgr. Jerome S. Smalarz and James M. Hare, then Michigan secretary of state, laid the cornerstone. On Dec. 8, 1959, St. Mary Hospital was opened to receive its first patients.

It is a long time — a full decade — from the evening Mother Januaria was approached in 1949 until Dec. 8, 1959.

The patience of the Felician Sisters is chiefly responsible for making it possible.

Their patience still shows when St. Mary Hospital is ranked among the top hospitals in the state.

Patience has its rewards.

State jobless rate below 10% for '84

Continuing recovery in the Michigan economy will bring the state's unemployment rate below 10 percent by the end of 1985, the first single-digit jobless figure in more than five years.

That prediction came from University of Michigan economists at the 32nd annual Conference on the Economic Outlook.

The outlook for the 1985-86 Michigan economy, prepared by Joan P. Cray and Saul H. Hymans, calls for total employment to grow by a bit more than 2.5 percent per year for each of the next two years.

"This is a slower pace than the 4.4 percent growth that we experienced in 1984, but is still well ahead of the rate of growth which we are predicting for the labor force," Cray said.

"Consequently, the unemployment rate is forecast to decline from 11.2 percent for 1984 to 10.3 percent for 1985 and to 9.6 percent for 1986, which will mark the first time the unemployment rate has dropped below 10 percent on an annual basis since 1979."

WITH THE more modest increases in employment, personal income is forecast to grow about 8 percent for each of the next two years — down from the 9.7 percent increase for 1984.

The inflation rate, forecast to remain constant at 3.5 percent for 1985, is projected to rise to 5.2 percent for 1986 as national markets begin to tighten.

"The result of our projected increases in income and our inflation projections," Cray said, "is a steadily declining rate of growth of consumer purchasing power from 6.5 percent for 1984 to 4.5 percent for 1985 and 2.9 percent for 1986."

However, she added, "even with more modest increases in real disposable income over the next two years, we are forecasting that consumer purchasing power in 1986 will finally exceed the level for 1978, which was the last year to show an increase before the recession."

THE FORECAST projects increases of a little more than 3 percent for manufacturing employment for each of the next two years.

Within private non-manufacturing, employment should continue to improve in both residential and non-residential construction in the spring of 1985, and non-residential building should remain strong through 1986.

Other industries also exhibit steady growth over the forecast period. Government employment, reversing recent declines, is predicted to show small increases during the next two years.

The forecast notes that Michigan's employment mix has altered in recent years. Manufacturing dropped from about 35 percent of total employment in the early 1970s to less than 28 percent in the early 1980s. Meanwhile, private non-manufacturing rose from a 47 percent share to just under 55 percent of the total between 1970 and 1982.

WHEN THE GROWTH slows in 1986, the Michigan employment rate is expected to remain about 3 percentage points above the national rate, the forecast said.

Part of the reason for the failure to make up the recession-induced "unemployment gap," Cray said, is the huge increase in output per Michigan worker since 1980. The productivity improvement, largely due to automated procedures in the automobile industry, is expected to continue in 1985-86.

"Such productivity improvement is absolutely essential to the long-term viability of the domestic automobile industry — and to the long-term health of the Michigan economy as well," she explained.

"But it is quite clear that this process presents us with a painful adjustment in the short run."

THE FORECAST for the state revenue outlook projects a 6.4 percent decline (\$185 million) in income tax revenues for fiscal 1985, to be followed by an 11.9 percent increase (\$322 million) for fiscal 1986.

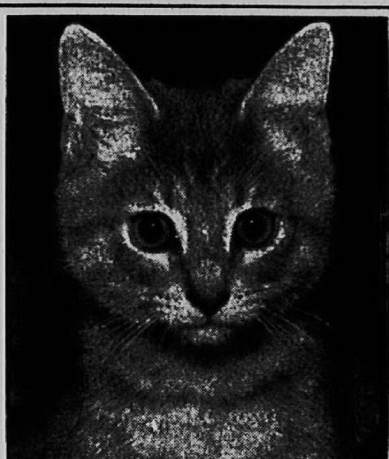
The drop in revenues in fiscal 1985 results from the reduction in the tax rate from an average of 6.1 percent for fiscal 1984 to 5.35 percent for fiscal 1985. On Jan. 1, 1986, the state income tax rate drops to 5.1 percent for the rest of the forecast period.

Total general-fund/general-purpose tax revenues are forecast to decrease 1.7 percent (\$92 million) in fiscal 1985

and to increase 11 percent (\$577 million) in fiscal 1986, mirroring the pattern in the personal income tax as effective tax rates change.

The Michigan forecast reflects key inputs from the U-M analysis of the national economy, also presented at the Economic Outlook Conference.

The U.S. economy is predicted to continue to expand through both 1985 and 1986, accompanied by a drop in the unemployment rate, a slight rise in inflation, sizable personal and corporate income gains, and little change in federal deficit levels.



LARRY CARUSO/staff photographer

Pets of week

Mandy, a female mixed Beagle-Terrier, is only 9 weeks old and already charming. She has had first shots and been wormed. Toby, a grey tabby, is a 3-month-old male cat who desires human affection. He has had first shots and been wormed. To meet these and other adoptable pets, visit the Michigan Humane Society's Kindness Center, 37255 Marquette, Westland, or call 721-7300.

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"It's a blatant invitation to perjury and making a mockery of the criminal process," said Richard Thompson, Oakland County's chief assistant prosecutor.

The attorney general office's intervened in the case at the request of Michigan State Police after Patterson's office refused to press charges. Now on probation, Jones is seeking to amend

"Our goal is to put together the best case we can against people we believe violated the law," said Steinborn. "Our investigation shows there are people who need to be charged."

Thompson said the new motion is a "colossal admission that the prosecutor's office was right in refusing a war-

Although not notified about the attorney general's court action, Thompson believes the state should have withdrawn the original pleas and started over in the case.

BUT STEINBORN said the attorney general's office was asked to look into the case by the Michigan State Police, who were working with Detroit Edison

"If Mr. Patterson sees politics in everything that happens, maybe it's in the eye of the beholder. It's not in our eye."

By Kathy Parrish
staff writer

"It's a gentle response," said Repub-

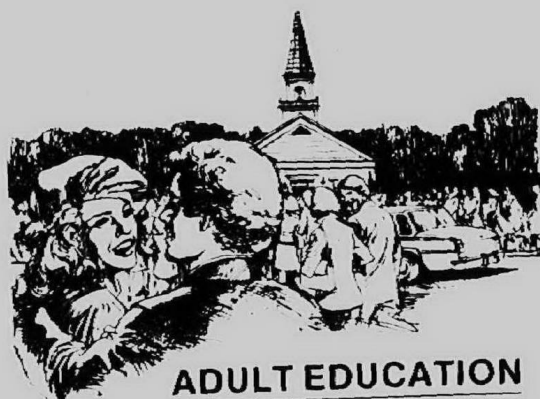
A SOFT-SPOKEN lawmaker who carefully weighs his words, Nelson isn't quick to anger.

But he didn't care for a quote attributed to Young in a newspaper article on the proposed merger of the Detroit and suburban bus systems.

"I'm sure we seem like pipsqueaks to

"Mayors and county executives can't be allowed to do as they please. There's a check and balance system because we're here."

NELSON, WHO footed the \$50 cost of the 50 buttons, said he hopes they will be taken in the right spirit.



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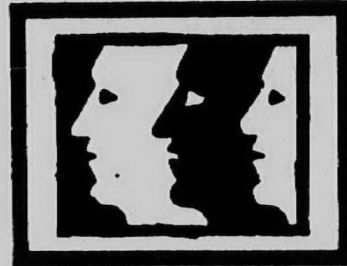
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'TIS THE SEASON of wish lists and First Step, the area center for battered women and their children, has one.

Their needs are: medium size nightgowns, slippers, toiletries, children's pajamas up to size 10, Christmas stockings, toys for children ages 2-14, and disposable diapers in sizes medium and toddler.

Items can be dropped off at First Step, 8381 Farmington Road, Westland. For more information, call 525-2230.

AREA ALPHA Xi Delta Alumnae will have their annual Christmas party 6-8 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9. Wendy DuVall Angelocci, 25801 Petros, Novi, will host the party. Casual dress is suggested and alumnae should take along an hors d'oeuvre. Husband or guest is invited. RSVP to Wendy at 348-7049 or Sandy Rigby at 349-2619.

ROBERT HUTTON, son of Robert and Joanne Hutton of Russell Street, Plymouth Township,



was named "Mr. Teen Holiday Prince" last weekend.

He also was runner-up for the photogenic title at the North American Pageant Systems Winter Nationals/Holiday Pageant 1984 at the Livonia Holiday. In October, Robert won the title of "Mr. Teen Great Lakes" in an October contest in Rockford, Mich.

He is 15 and a student at Catholic Central High School. He plans a career in modeling and attends classes at Robert Lee Studios.

WHEN THE WOMAN'S Club of Plymouth meets tomorrow at the Salvation Army Center, members will have Christmas on their minds — Christmas for the less fortunate.

They'll be making donations of canned foods for holiday baskets and scarves and mittens for the club's mitten tree in the Detroit Edison Office, Main Street at Ann Arbor Trail.

And they'll pause to pay tribute to four of their members who died during the past year. They will honor past members Eva McAllister, Jeanet Allison, Emma Lorenz and Dorothy Becker. Dorothy was president of the Woman's Club 1966-68.

The whole community is invited to contribute mittens, scarves and gloves to the mitten tree. Just take them into the Edison office and hang them on its branches. For many years, the tree has provided a gift of added warmth to the Salvation Army's Christmas baskets.

CHERYL BOSZAK has won a \$3,500 shopping spree in WCLS FM Radio prize catalog sweepstakes promotion. She will be allowed to shop in a number of Plymouth stores and restaurants that are members of the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce.

Cheryl will be allowed to run up a shopping tab until it reaches \$3,500 in her choice of the 40 businesses included on the list.

Cheryl said, "I was preparing breakfast for the girls last Tuesday and decided I might as well listen to WCLS. I'd sent in for the catalog and had my numbers. They announce five numbers at 7:10 a.m. and you have 15 minutes to call in."

She said she had never won anything in her life, and was amazed when they called her number.

She and her husband, Gary, have three daughters, Bonnie, 9, Carolyn, 6, and Kathleen, 3½.

She has received the list of local merchants involved and is waiting to hear when she can start shopping. There is no time limit on the shopping spree. They don't have to dash around and grab. The Boszaks will have time to think things over and consider their decisions.

In the meantime, excitement runs high. "The girls were happy to see the Rainbow Shop on the list," said Cheryl.

She added that it was the perfect time of the year to have it happen.



Director Mike Gross

Chorus presents 3 concerts

'Festival of Christmas'

The air will be filled with music this weekend as the Plymouth Community Chorus presents "Festival of Christmas," its 11th annual Christmas concert. Director Mike Gross has programmed traditional carols and songs of love in keeping with the season's spirit of joy.

Three performances are scheduled in the 1,000-seat Plymouth Salem High School auditorium, Joy Road west of Canton Center. Concert times are 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 4 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$4 for adults and \$2 for senior citizens and students. They may be purchased at the door or in advance at Book Break in the K mart Plaza, Canton Township, or Sideways, 505 Forest, Plymouth.

Audiences are invited to join chorus members in an afterglow reception at

the Mayflower Meeting House at 7 p.m. Sunday. There will be hors d'oeuvres and an open bar. Reservations at \$4 per person should be made in advance by calling 397-1387 or 455-4080.

MORE THAN 100 red and white poinsettias will decorate the stage as the chorus sings "Silent Night," "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing," "Joy to the World," and "Adestes Fideles."

Morand Zimmer of Redford Township will be featured soloist with the chorus in "Away in a Manger." Alto Ruth Germeroth of Canton will be soloist in "As Lately We Watched." Renee Hoeg, soprano, and Barbara Hamel sing with the chorus in "Always."

Sherrie Northway of Redford Township will sing "Merry Christmas Darling." Barbara Hamel, soprano of Lincoln Park, "What Does Christmas Mean to You," and Dennis Santillan of Canton, "I'll Walk with God."

The small ensemble, Choral Expression, will sing four numbers including "How Do You Keep that Music Playing" and Lionel Richie's "Truly." The group is accompanied on piano by Leslie Morrison of South Lyon.

CAROLYN Edwards, a student at the University of Michigan School of music, is accompanist for the Community Chorus this season. She is the daughter of Clair and Rodney Edwards of Livonia. Chorus director, Mike Gross, is a Westland resident.

Brass section, string bass and percussion will accompany the chorus for "A Choral Fanfare for Christmas" and the Fred Waring arrangement of "Holiday."

Refreshments will be available at the concert during intermission, and the new chorus cook book, "All Our Best," will be on sale for \$7.75 in the lobby during intermission.

Decorations for the concert were planned and arranged by Morand Zimmer, John Frank, Sherrie Northway and other chorus members.

Victorian elegance at Symphony Ball

Saturday night's Symphony Ball at the Plymouth Hilton had all the romance of a Victorian Christmas soiree.

Red candles in hurricane shades glowed on every table as 456 guests dined and danced to the music of Nightfall. The grand march was led by the co-chairs of the ball and their husbands, Sue and Bill Decker, and Judy and John Lore. A much younger generation discovered that old-fashioned dance cards could be excellent mixers.

Focal point of the Victorian decor was a tableau — mannikins dressed in period gowns, a Christmas tree trimmed with candles, lacy fans, bouquets and snowflakes. The grand piano, where Eileen Miller provided background music during cocktails and dinner, was included in the grouping.

with laces, birds, rosebuds, brass trumpets and baby's breath, circled the hurricane lamps as centerpieces. These were offered for sale and all 52 were sold to guests.

A huge Christmas wreath served as a background for the orchestra. The Victorian theme was carried out in other ballroom decorations and Marat Garard provided the gowns for the mannikins.

Laces and jewelry added touches of Victorian elegance to the guests' gowns. Sue Decker wore a green taffeta with a muted pink and purple plaid and a purple velvet sash, revealing an accordion-pleated petticoat. The dress belongs to her mother who had it packed away in a chest for 50 years.

THE ANNUAL Christmas Ball was arranged by the Crescendo group of the Plymouth Symphony League.

Group members made the decorations. The grapevine wreaths trimmed

Because the turnout was below the minimum agreed to by the league, the Hilton will donate the equivalent of more than 20 rib-roast dinners to the Omnicom-Salvation Army Baskets of Love Telethon on Saturday.

Photos by Rick Smith



Boyd and Dorothy Shaffer of Plymouth Township enjoy the Symphony dinner-dance.



Eileen Miller, a Symphony League member, provided background music during cocktails and dinner.



Bill and Sharon Armbruster toast the holiday season.



Arlene Robinson admires the Victorian Christmas tree.



Marat Garard (left) and Mary Kehoe signed the tableau.

Celebrities pitch in for Saturday telethon

This won't take long and everybody can participate!

Here is an opportunity to do something nice in this season of doing and giving and sharing — a project that is both local and community oriented. It is sponsored by Omnicom and the Salvation Army and titled, simply, "Baskets filled with Love."

Allow me to explain. At noon Saturday, Dec. 8, just two short days from today, Omnicom will go live on Channel 8, with a telethon for food. The program will allow you and your children, to come to the studio and visit Santa Claus. All we ask is that you bring some sort of canned or dry food to feed the needy in YOUR community.

You're welcome to bring along a camera and take a picture of your own little darlings with Santa and naturally there is no charge for that. As an extra bonus throughout the day we'll have visits by celebrities from all over the Detroit Area. These include such biggies as our very own and very talented Doug English from the Detroit Lions, along with teammates Eddie Murray and David Lewis, who have so generously donated their time to assist in this cause.

BUT THAT'S NOT all, folks, for our friends in radio-land also have come through for us and are coming out in force.

Anne Carlini from WLLZ and Sound-track, Sue Carpenter and Paul Snyder mid-morning newscasters at WWJ, and that's not all! Vince Doyle, sports director at WWJ will be here, and Steve Varnot, program director at WJOL, to mention but a few.

Just like you and me, these people have lots of things to do this time of year. Yet they know that taking care of others is everybody's job. After all, if you want a really Merry Christmas, you've got to put yourself into it. Think of how much more fun, or at least tolerable, Twelve Oaks or Westland or even Forest Place Mall will be on Sunday or Monday with the glow you'll have from the nice thing you did on Saturday.



Canton chatter

Sandy Preblich

981-6354

Think of the free lesson on social responsibility your kids will get when they carry in their own can of soup, or peas, or a bag of flour to Santa and ask him to give it to someone who really needs it. Wouldn't it be neat if you let them pick out the can themselves? So what if they pick up a can of tuna or Spam, when you think of all the good it will do for the needy, your child, and you. That's a lot of people to be helped by one can of tuna.

WE ARE NOT asking for a case of tuna. Just a can of corn would be wonderful! The main idea must remain, "To help someone else."

Do something different. Break your pattern. Take some time out this busy holiday season and visit a Santa Claus that isn't in a big commercial shopping center with advertising for toys, toys, toys. Visit a Santa who will show your children the meaning of Christmas and Santa's real mission. Come on over to the Studio and see him and all the celebrities in person.

Remember, it's live. Before you leave home, turn on your video tape recorder if you have one, and when you get home you'll have a great Christmas memory. Naturally, you may just sit home and watch all the kids visit Santa, and all the celebrities. Just phone in a donation. Operators will be on duty — after all it is a Telethon!

Perhaps you've already heard about the drive. Many businesses and most municipal offices are participating in collecting cans and dry goods. Check next time you shop at your local grocery store, they should have a box. Just buy an extra can and drop it in the box.

All the local Omnicom communities

Weinman-Callegari

Betty and David Godfrey of Plymouth have announced the engagement of their daughter Renee Weinman to Larry Callegari of Westland.

The bride-to-be is a 1980 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School. She is a senior at Eastern Michigan University and is employed as a retail sales service representative at Comerica Bank.

Her fiancé is a 1975 graduate of Westland John Glenn High School and attended Wayne County Community College. He is employed by General Motors.

The wedding is planned for July at St. Mary's Church in Wayne. The wedding reception will be at the Hilton in Plymouth.

are participating, from Belleville right on through to Northville. So lets get busy. I'll be there and I hope to see you and your children at the studio on Saturday, with Santa Claus and even County Executive William Lucas helping us have the best, most meaningful Christmas of them all.

I RECEIVED a phone call last weekend from a busy little Santa Elf, filled with Christmas cheer.

The elf was very busy preparing Christmas cookies and giggling inside and out. This elf, a strong Canton supporter, wanted to know why there was no "Christmas Walk" scheduled in Canton.

She was right! Canton, perhaps someone out there would like to tell me why.

I know there may not be time to organize one this year, but let's think about it folks. It's one of those things that brings a community pride, togetherness and an all around good feeling about themselves and the people around them.

So if anyone is interested, either in participating, organizing or opening their beautiful home, please give the elf (Maria Sterlini) a call at 981-4547 or call me, 981-6354. If you have done this



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before, or know something about it, I will in no way press you to become chairman. However, we sure could use some advice.

REMEMBER Dec. 18 last year? A tremendous cold spell brought winds strong enough to freeze and pierce your ears without pain? Try to think back to the night we all went out and tried in vain to light our luminaries. That's a little candle in a white bag, meant to make Canton glow from one end to the other.

It's about that night that I wish to speak.

By golly, we've got spirit, because we are going to try it again!

For those of you who may not have your candles, or may have used them this summer, they are being sold again by the Canton Beautification Committee, as of today. I'm not sure what time is scheduled or the exact night for "Canton A-glow," but I'm sure they'll be telling us soon.

You can light them any time you wish. Just call Arlene Woods, the new chairperson, 455-5915, or Pam Swiderek, 453-1122, for information on

when and where they can be purchased. They are only 25 cents and they are beautiful. I know, I have 25 of them. Once the wind dies down, they are gorgeous.

When a whole town lights up, how beautiful to drive around and see them.

By the way, if you should see a lady driving slowly by your home at night with a car filled with children, it's not a burglar. It's only me.

I take my daughters and their friends out some nights during the Christmas season, usually on a weekend. We drive all over and ooh and aah at the beautiful decorations.

So have a happy, friendly week.

I hope you made it to the tree lighting on Monday, I hope to see you Saturday at the Studio of Omnicom, 8465 Rhonda Drive.

And, definitely, enjoy the spirit of Christmas.

new voices

Robert and Nancy Zamboras of The Woodlands, Texas, announce the birth of their first child, a son, George Michael Zamboras, Nov. 14 in Montgomery Medical Center Hospital, Conroe, Texas.



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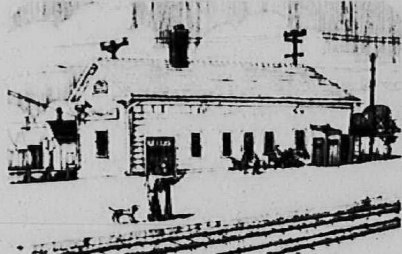
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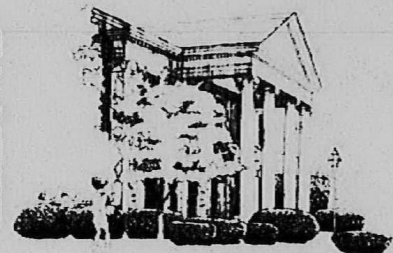
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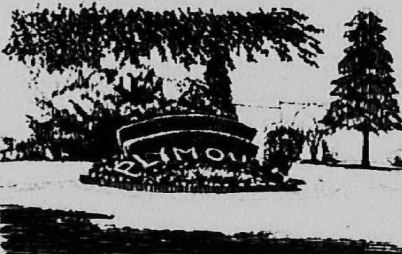
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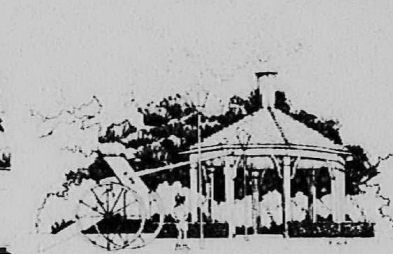
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Ink sketches available

Pen and ink sketches of familiar Plymouth scenes by artist and architect, Erick Carne, are being offered to the public in a preholiday sale. Members of the Vivace group of the Plymouth Symphony League will be selling the 18 by 24 prints 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays, Dec. 8 and 15 in Westchester Square, Forest Street, Plymouth; and 1:30-4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 16 at the Sleeping Beauty Ballet in Plymouth Salem High School.

They also are on display and for sale at the Frame Workson Penniman Avenue, Plymouth. The price for each print is \$5 rolled. A limited number with cardboard backing and shrink wrapped in plastic are \$7. All are suitable for framing. Pat Phillips of the Vivace Group suggests the sketches are an ideal gift for residents and former residents for both home and office. For information, call 459-5424.

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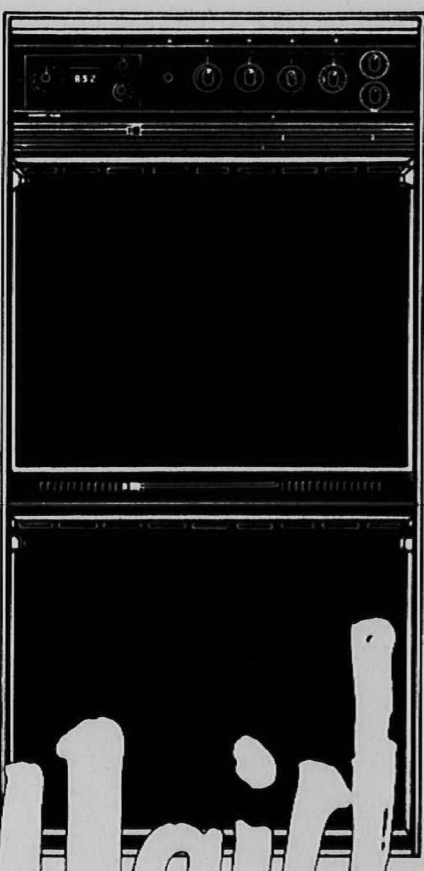
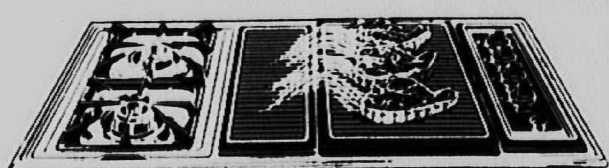
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● PLYMOUTH COUNCIL ON AGING

Judge Dunbar Davis, guest speaker, will discuss "Problem on Aging" and "How to Handle Yourself in Court" when the Plymouth Community Council on Aging meets Tuesday, Dec. 11 in the Plymouth Cultural Center. Refreshments will be at 1:30 p.m. and program at 2.

● ARP MEETING

Plymouth-Northville Chapter of the American Association for retired Persons will have its Christmas meeting at noon Wednesday, Dec. 12 in the Plymouth Cultural center, 525 Farmer. Board of Directors will meet at 10:30 a.m.

Bring your own brown bag lunch. Tea, coffee and dessert will be provided. Christmas music will be presented by carolers from Central Middle School under the direction of Laura Wiener. Members are reminded to bring canned or other non-perishable foods for the Salvation Army's holiday needs.

● ST. JOHN NEUMANN WOMEN'S GUILD

Members of the Women's Guild will have their Christmas dinner at 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 12 in the Parish Hall. Dinner will be catered by Sonia Culver. Call Nancy, 981-4343, for information. There will be a \$5 gift exchange.

● LAKE POINTE VILLAGE GARDEN CLUB

Members of the Lake Pointe Village branch of the Woman's National Farm & Garden Association and their husbands will have a potluck dinner and craft auction at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 13 at the Plymouth Historical Museum. Mickey Penneybacker will chair the evening. Co-hostesses are Carol Beaudry, Ruth Horn, Judy Sharar and Paula Worniak.

● LA LECHE LEAGUE

Plymouth-Canton La Leche League will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 13 at 9738 Norman. Informal discussion will center on how to manage those first hectic weeks after the baby is born with emphasis on the entire family as well as mother and baby. For information call Johanne, 453-9171, or Karen, 459-1322. Nursing babies are welcome.

● PLYMOUTH LIBRARY BOARD

Plymouth Community Library Board will meet at 7 p.m. Monday Dec. 10 at Dunning Hough Library. This regular general meeting is open to the public.

● PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Society will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 6 on the lower level of the Plymouth Historical Museum, Main at Church. There will be a tour of the museum, decorated for Christmas, and refreshments.

● MOTHERS OF TWINS

The Western Wayne County Mothers of Twins Club will have a children's Christmas party 3-6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9 at Our Lady of Loretto Church, 25700 W. Six Mile, Redford Township (corner of Six Mile and Beech daly). The children will design and decorate two large Christmas greeting cards to be sent to Children's Hospital of Detroit and the Ronald McDonald House. There will be treats, a sing-along and a visit from Santa. Mothers of twins and triplets and their children are invited.

● WOMEN'S DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP

The mediation process as it applies to divorce will be discussed by Thomas Taylor and Elaine Broder of Mediation Associates when the group meets 8-10 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 11 in Room F130 of the Forum Building, Schoolcraft College. Sponsored by the Women's Resource Center, the group is for women who are separated, divorced, in the process of or contemplating divorce. Attendance is free and no registration is required. For information, call 591-6400, Ext. 430.

● ST. KENNETH'S GUILD

St. Kenneth's Women's Guild will have its Christmas luncheon at noon Tuesday, Dec. 11 at the Mayflower Hotel. For reservations and information, call Alice Smock, 453-3224, or Mickey Penneybacker, 420-0819.

● LAMAZE SERIES

A seven-week Lamaze series will begin at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 11 at Newburg Methodist Church, Livonia. For information and to register, call

the Plymouth Childbirth Education Association, 459-7477.

● WISER CHRISTMAS PARTY

Group that offers support and information for widowed persons will have a Christmas Party at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 11 at Guilio's, Plymouth at Eccles. For reservations, call Olga, 422-0304, or Sally, 427-5659.

● NEW YEAR'S PARTY

Early reservations are suggested for the Plymouth Township Senior Club New Year's party, at 6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 28, at the Friendship Station. Hearty buffet dinner with organ music and songs for entertainment costs members \$2. For more information, call 420-2948 or 420-3321.

● TUESDAY SINGLES DANCE

Tuesday Night Singles dance 8:30-11:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 11, at the American Legion Hall, South Main, Ann Arbor to the music of Wally Duda. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call 482-5472 or 971-4480.

● PINK ROSE BRUNCH

Members of the newly-formed Pink Rose Sunday Brunch group invite all women 18 years of age and older to join them at noon Sunday, Dec. 9 in the Governor Bradford Room of the Mayflower Meeting House. Purpose of the social, non-profit organization is to honor their mothers, living and dead, by giving financial assistance a local mother in need of financial medical support. For more information about the group and how to reserve a place at the brunch, call Bernice Lawrence, 453-5842.

● AUDITIONS

Theatre Guild of Livonia-Redford has announced auditions for its next production, "Nuts." Auditions will be 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, and 7:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 10, at the Playhouse, 15138 Beech Daly just south of Five Mile, Redford Township. For more information, call 464-6796.

There are three roles for women, from young adult to middle-age and six parts for males, from young adult to middle age to the judge who is in his 60s. Performances are scheduled for Feb. 15, 16, 22, 23, and March 1 and 2.

● SIGMA KAPPA

Sigma Kappa Alumnae chapter of western Wayne County will meet Monday, Dec. 10, at the home of Kay Koch. Members will exchange Christmas ornaments, make stationery and prepare gifts for nursing home friends. Call 453-7864 for information.

● PLYMOUTH YOUTH SYMPHONY CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Youth Symphony will have its annual Christmas concert at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 11 in the Little Theater at Plymouth Canton High School, Canton Center Road south of Joy. Open to the public. Donation at door.

● EATING DISORDERS SELF-HELP GROUP

Group meets Wednesdays, 3:30-5:30 p.m. at the Gabriel Richard Center, 5001 Evergreen, Dearborn. There is no charge. For information, call Margaret Flannery, 593-5430, or Nancy Swanborg, 271-6000.

● CHORUS COOKBOOK

Plymouth Community Chorus new cookbook, "All Our Best" is now available at Plymouth Book World and from chorus members. It will be for sale at

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Luminary sale Saturday

● LUMINARY SALE

Dec. 8 and 15 — Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. the Staccato group of the Plymouth Symphony League will be selling luminaries in Westchester Square, Forest Street, Plymouth. Bag plus long-burning candle is 25 cents a set. Plymouth and Canton community is planning to coordinate luminary lightings in neighborhoods at 6 p.m. Christmas Eve.

● ST. JOHN NEUMANN CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE

Dec. 8, 9 — Saturday, noon to 7:30 p.m. and Sunday 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the church, 44800 Warren Road, Canton Township. The bake sale is open to the public. This is a parish project with all kinds of Christmas breads, cookies, pies, cakes and breads.

● 3-CITIES ART CLUB PRE-CHRISTMAS SALE

Dec. 13, 14, & 15 — Thursday, Friday and Saturday during store hours in the mall of Plymouth

holiday fairs

Park Center on Main Street, facing Kellogg Park. Local artists will be selling framed and unframed art works. Enter the Mall from Central Parking Lot or from the back doors of Armbruster's Bootery, Little Professor on the Park, the Mole Hole, The Fabric Shop and Mason's Shop.

● POINSETTIA & POTPOURRI

Dec. 14 — Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tonquish Creek Garden Club's Poinsettia and Potpourri Boutique in Westchester Square, Forest Street, Plymouth. Members will be selling poinsettias, Christmas cacti, baked goods and craft items. Proceeds go to community projects.

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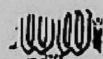
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Birthday all In the family

Newborn infant Melissa Marie French of Canton, her great aunt Liz Dougherty, 47, (left) of Livonia, and her aunt Jennifer Stevenson, 17, of Canton share more than a family relationship. All three were born on the same date: Nov. 25. Melissa, the daughter of Douglas and Mary Ann French, was born last week at Garden City Osteopathic Hospital. Melissa is the first grandchild for Dick and Dolores French of Plymouth and Tom and Esther Stevenson of Canton.

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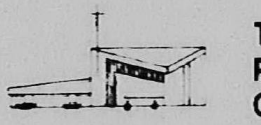
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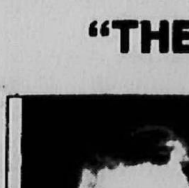
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Church to honor retiring pastor

Clarenceville United Methodist Church will honor retiring Pastor Gerald Fisher and his wife, Norma, in a special ceremony 2-5 p.m. Sunday at the church.

Fisher, who will officially retire Monday, Dec. 31, has been pastor of the Livonia church since 1974.

He was educated at Taylor University, Eastern Michigan University, the Biblical Seminary in New York and Evangelical Theological Seminary in Naperville. He was licensed by the Michigan Conference of the Evangelical Church in 1943 and was ordained an elder 1948.

Besides Clarenceville, his pastorates have been: Monroe Calvary, 1944-45; Ogden, 1946-52; Detroit (Magnolia), 1952-58; Grand Rapids (Griggs), 1958-67; and Flint (Hope), 1967-74.

He has been a member of the Conference Board of Missions, president of the Conference Board of Evangelism, twice delegate to General Conference, and a trustee of Albion College.

The Fishers have four children: Linda Snider, Carol Harman, Judith Houser and Janet Fisher. They also have four grandchildren.

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also include entertainment in the form of a recorder consort, fortune teller and jester, as well as peddlers.

Madrigal festival

Trumpet fanfare, a wassail toast, assorted English desserts, royal personages in elegant medieval costumes — all will highlight the Madrigal Festival to be held at Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church at 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 16. Rosedale's chancel choir will present seasonal music in a candlelit castle setting. Tickets are \$5 and must be purchased in advance. Call 422-0494 for more information. The church is located at 9601 Hubbard, at the corner of West Chicago.

church bulletin

ST. RAPHAEL CATHOLIC

Four Garden City church choirs will combine to present "An Evening of Chords and Carols" at 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 31499 Beechwood. Besides St. Raphael's choir, the participating choirs will be those of First United Methodist, Garden City Presbyterian and St. David Episcopal. The First United Methodist handbell choir also will perform.

MT. HOPE CONGREGATIONAL

The combined choirs of Mt. Hope Congregational Church of Livonia and First United Presbyterian Church of Ypsilanti will perform the Advent/Christmas portion of Handel's "Messiah." The performance will be at 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, in the Mt. Hope sanctuary, 30330 Schoolcraft, Livonia.

The 50-voice festival chorus will be under the direction of Neale Smith. The concert is free and open to the public.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN OF PLYMOUTH

The chancel choir, soloists and instrumentalists will perform Vivaldi's "Gloria" at the 9:15 and 11:15 a.m. services Sunday, Dec. 9, at First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth. The cantata will be performed under the direction of Carl Battishill. The church is at 701 Church, Plymouth.

WESTLAND CHURCH OF GOD

The Freemans (formerly Pathways) will be at the Westland Church of God at 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 7. The church is at 35212 Melton, two blocks north of Palmer and one block east of Wayne Road. A free-will offering will be taken. For information, call 595-1932.

UNITED ASSEMBLY OF GOD

The elementary school children of United Assembly of God will present their annual Sunday school Christmas program at the worship service at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9. Their program, "Angels, Lambs, Ladybugs and Fireflies," is an account of the Christmas story in song and drama. The Petra Players, a teen group, also will present a dramatic sketch called "Waiting."

The service will be at Pioneer Middle School, 46081 W. Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, where the church's services will be held during the church building program.

WARD PRESBYTERIAN

The children's choirs of Ward Presbyterian Church in Livonia will present a children's Christmas concert at 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, in the church sanctuary. They will present the story of Christmas through narration and song.

Fifth and sixth graders will be acting out the manger scene. The production is being coordinated by Daniel Williams, assistant director of music.

WESTLAND ALLIANCE

The film "Sandcastles," about an American family that's breaking up, will be shown at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, by the Westland Alliance Church. The showing will be in the Wayne Ford Civic League, 1645 N. Wayne, Westland.

GRAND RIVER BAPTIST

Grand River Baptist Church of Livonia has appointed Marilyn Dixon Totten as its new music director. She has a bachelor's degree in music from Western Michigan University and master's degree from the University of Michigan. She is a private piano and voice teacher and has served as an elementary and junior high school vocal music teacher in the Dearborn Public Schools.

She is on the board of directors of the Dearborn Symphony Orchestra and has been a member of the Detroit Cantata Academy. For more information on the church's music program, call the church office at 261-6950. The church is at 34500 Six Mile, Livonia.

OUR LADY OF SORROWS

The 84-voice Christian Community Chorus will perform Handel's "The

Messiah" at 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, at Our Lady of Sorrows Church, 23615 Powers Road, Farmington. A free-will offering will be taken.

ST. MARY'S OF WAYNE

The Wayne Memorial High School Orchestra will perform music for the Christmas season at 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, at St. Mary's of Wayne, 34530 Michigan, at the corner of Third Street, Wayne. There will be no charge.

MEMORIAL CHURCH OF CHRIST

"O Magnify the Lord," a new cantata by Ronn Huff, will be performed at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, at Memorial Church of Christ (Christian), 35475 Five Mile, Livonia. The cantata incorporates Christmas carols, works by the masters Handel, Mozart, Mendelssohn and Beethoven, and works by contemporary composers.

ST. PAUL'S PRESBYTERIAN

The Rev. Kathryn R. Thoreson will join the staff of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church in Livonia as of Tuesday, Jan. 1. She has a master's degree from Oakland University and also is a graduate of Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Ga. Her special field is family ministries and adult education. She will be at the lectern for services Sundays, Dec. 23 and 30, and will be ordained in worship services Sunday, Jan. 6.

The fault in youth may be in us

They're grim headlines. "High School students carry guns." "Teacher shot in classroom." "Basketball star killed in hallway."

As one person said, "It's getting nasty out here, and it has a habit of getting nastier and nastier." Which is probably correct, considering the recent report of 27 academics, school officials and policy-makers. "Schools in general are not doing enough to counter the symptoms of serious decline in youth character."

Detroit City Schools superintendent Arthur Jefferson is certainly trying. Several weeks ago he announced that the Detroit School Board would file civil lawsuits against parents of children who are found with guns at school. But not all parents are happy with that de-

moral perspectives



Rev. Lloyd Buss

cision. Not all parents know where their children are or what they are doing.

Knowing what their children are doing or where they are going, may in the final analysis, be less important than we first thought. The 36-page report, "Developing Character: Transmitting Knowledge," cautioned that "good character is not generated solely by more homework, rigorous

traditional grading and better pupil discipline." It's just that "young people today are more likely to commit suicide, or kill one another, and males are more likely to make unmarried females pregnant."

THE STATEMENT that finally best summed all this up for me was by a 23-year old relative of a victim. "You've got some guys 14, 15, 16 years old who are living like they're 30."

Is having students carry guns in high-school, or drinking excessively, or having "males more likely make unmarried females pregnant" really any more grievous than having older adults carry guns to work and play, or drinking excessively or having "males make unmarried females pregnant?"

Why should we be so upset in having our students pick up our habits? Isn't this exactly what we want to pass on to them... what we prize and value in life?

There is a solution to the grim headlines. There is a way to have our schools build character. And that is for the adult world to stop "living like they're 30" and start living like the responsible human beings God has created us to be.

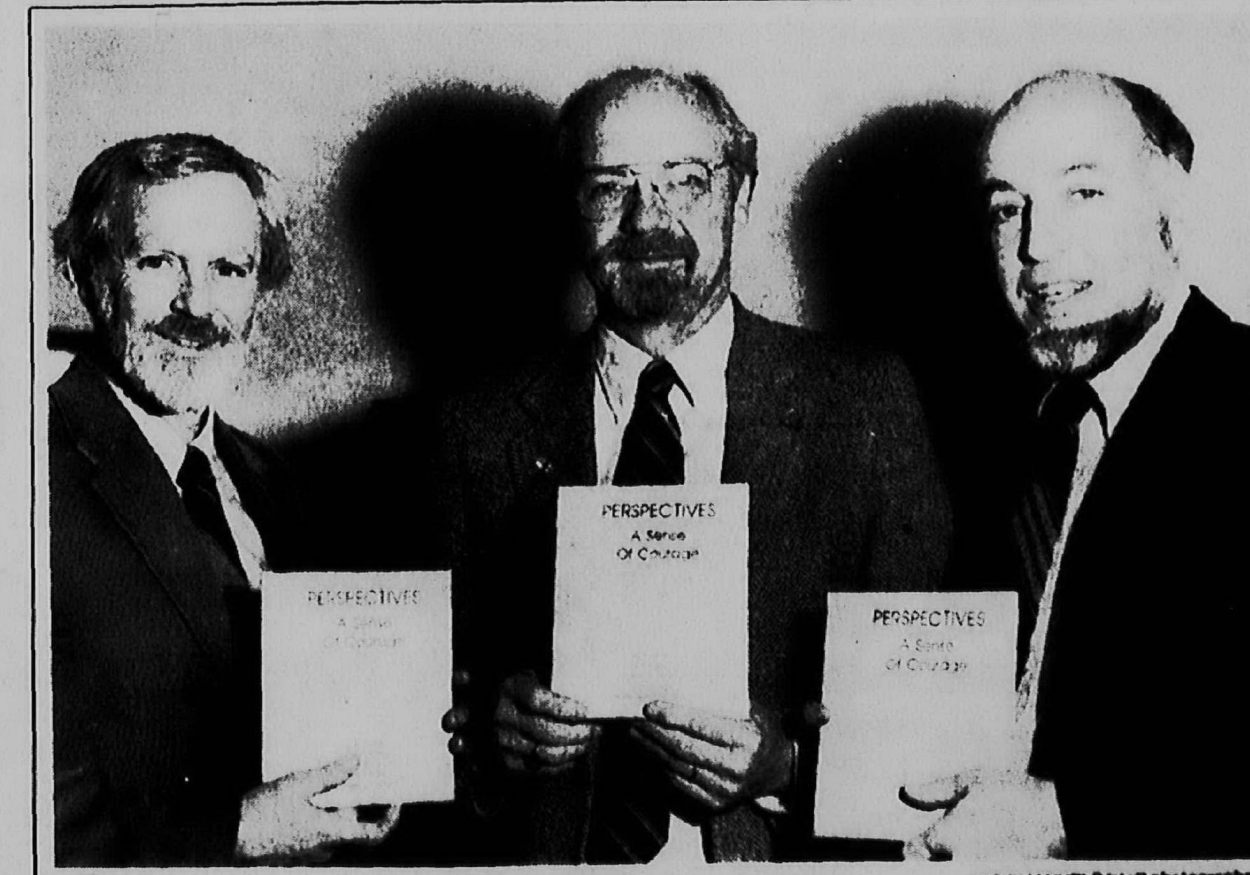
Church to present living yule tree concert

The Plymouth Church of the Nazarene will present its fourth annual living Christmas tree at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 6 p.m. Sunday.

More than 2,000 boughs will be used to construct a 35-foot-tall tree, which will be decorated with garland and lights. The 1½-hour tree program will

include performances by the 50-voice Sanctuary Choir, featuring a children's choir and Brothers III, a men's trio. The presentation will be at the

church, 41550 E. Ann Arbor Trail. For more information, call the church office at 453-1525.



ART EMANUELE/staff photographer

Best of 'Perspectives' available

What the four Observer and Eccentric Newspapers' Moral Perspectives columnists regard as the 10 best columns each has written in the past 12 years have been bound in a paperback and is available to the public. Entitled "Perspectives — A Sense of Courage," the book contains the published columns of Revs. Robert Schaden (left), Lloyd Buss, David Strong and Rabbi Irwin Groner (not shown). The book is \$2 and may be obtained by contacting Schaden at 484-2160; Buss at 651-6556; Groner at 357-5544; or Strong at 422-6038.

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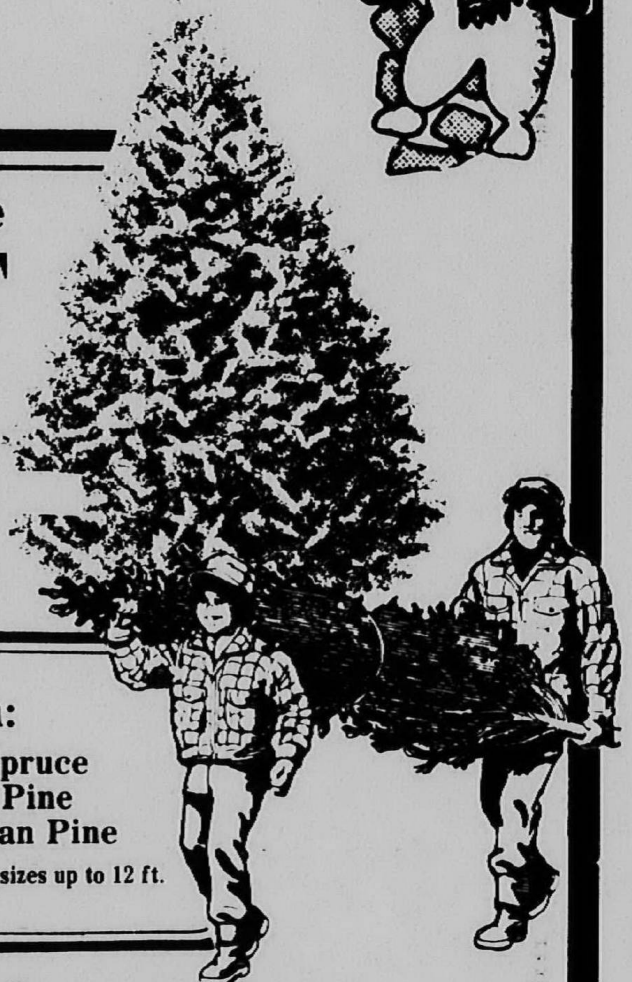
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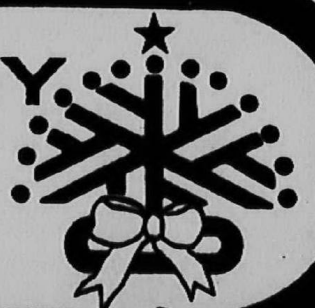
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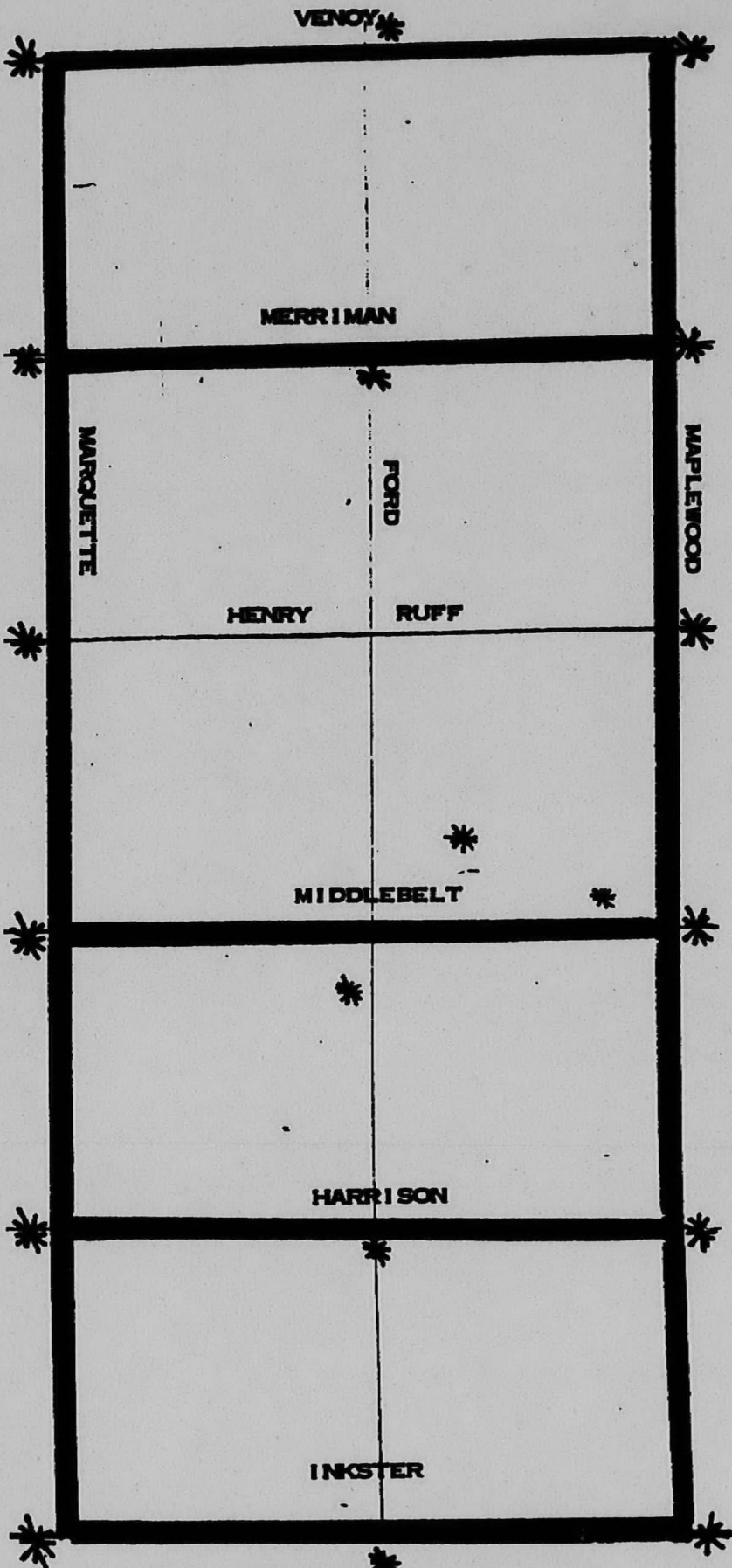
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This is the route for the Santaland express small buses to be operating for Sunday's Christmas Walk. The heavy lines show where the buses will be traveling with stops planned at the corners marked by asterisks. Bus stop signs will be posted.



DAN DEAN/staff photographer
Santa Claus is one of the star attractions at Santaland during the Garden City community's first Christmas walk scheduled for noon to 5 p.m. Sunday at Ford and Middlebelt business sections. In the background is the larger-than-life replica of Santa at the Santaland complex.



A couple peddles its Christmas articles along the Santaland parade route near Ford and Middlebelt.

Garden City plans Walk

For the first time, Garden City merchants and community leaders are combining efforts to brighten the holiday for downtown shoppers.

Their work and planning will reach a highlight Sunday when a Christmas '84 Committee sponsors its "Old-fashioned Christmas Walk" between noon and 5 p.m. Sunday to generate a holiday spirit in the community.

There will be free transportation and children's movies, special sales and promotions, refreshments at local stores, and a visit with Santa Claus.

The event is planned by the Christmas '84 Committee, made up of public officials, community leaders, and merchants.

The Sunday walk is one of several events sponsored by the committee in a move to make people more aware of the city's downtown improvements and hopefully bring them into stores to shop.

New and colorful banners have been bought and hung from utility poles along Ford and Middlebelt with attractive tree lights installed along the downtown business district.

Shoppers will have free transportation through the Nankin Transit Commission's dial-a-ride vans which will travel on Inkster Road, Harrison, Middlebelt, Merriman, Venov, Maplewood, and Marquette between noon and 5:30 p.m. with stops at most half-miles.

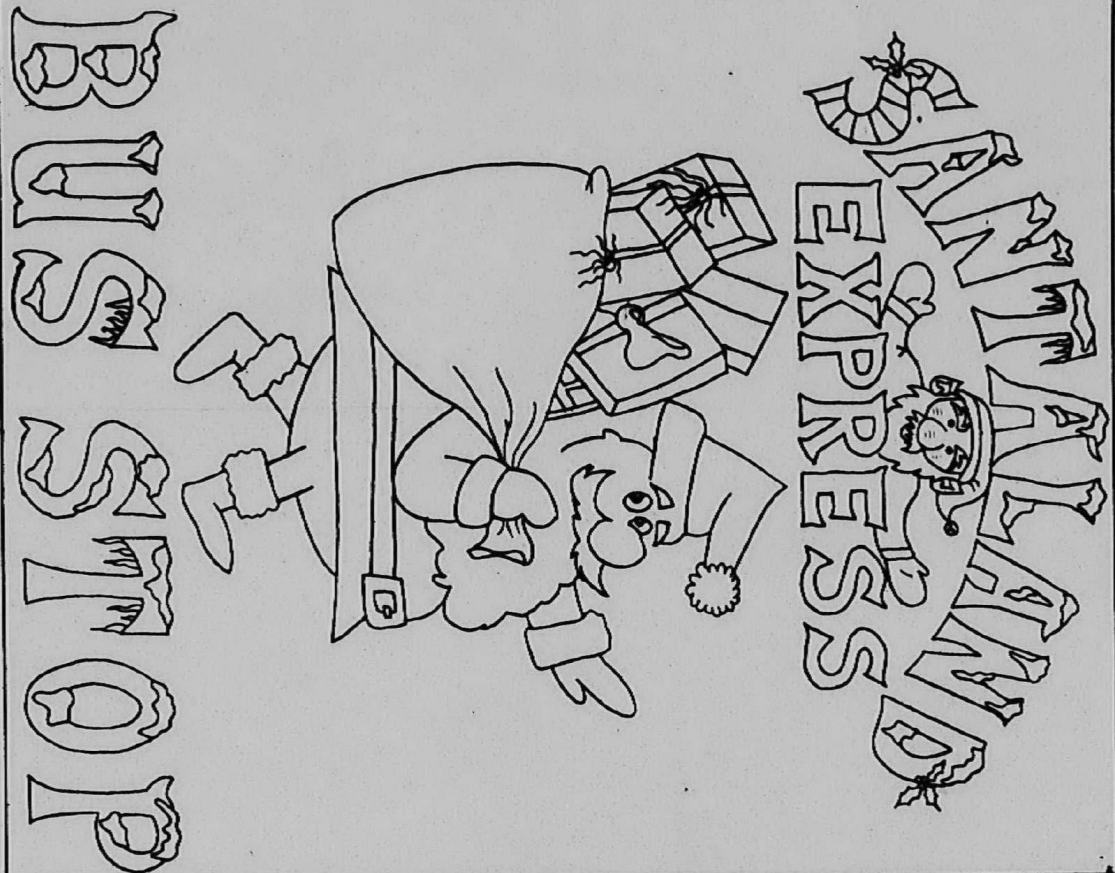
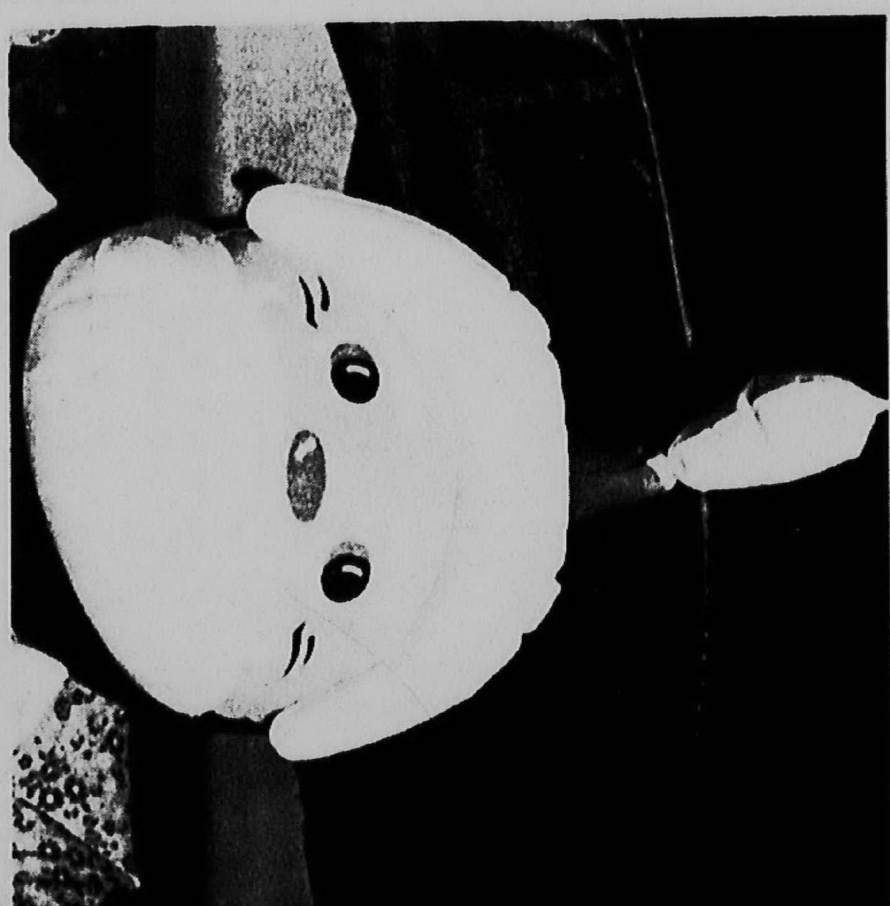
Bus stop signs will be posted with the vans to be at each scheduled stop at least twice every hour.

A FREE children's movie, "Raggedy Ann and Andy," will be shown at noon in the LaParisien Theatre, on the southeast corner of Ford and Middlebelt.

The committee earlier distributed hundreds of Christmas calendars at downtown stores, listing events for the next four weeks.

Some calendars are numbered to qualify for a drawing for a free Cabbage Patch doll, to be given away at a drawing scheduled for 3:30 p.m. Sunday at Santaland, in its new location between K mart and Garden City Auto Parts.

Winner of the doll must be present to receive the prize.



This emblem will let people know where the Santaland Express bus stops are for free transportation offered from noon to 5:30 p.m. Sunday during the Garden City community's first Christmas Walk program. The design was created by Robert Guisgard, a Garden City High School 10th grader, for the Christmas '84 Committee.

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S'craft music department is now a showcase

By Ann Laura Shaw
Special writer

SCHOOLCRAFT College's music department has become a showcase of tradition and talent. Former students now play in metropolitan symphony orchestras. And the college administration intends to keep it that way. Even with a strong emphasis on high technology, Schoolcraft is moving to strengthen its fine arts offerings. Enrollments in the community college are climbing.

"We have been committed to retraining in technical areas," said Dr. Conway Jeffress, vice president for instruction. "Our recent emphasis on retraining, on equipment and on technology have brought us to a revitalized and current technical stage."

"Now we are shifting our resource emphasis, including improving and expanding the music program," Jeffress pointed to physical renovations, including practice rooms, performance areas and new educational programs.

PROMINENT music faculty members give Jeffress and President Richard McDowell high marks.

"The present administration is attentive and supportive," said Dr. Bradley Bloom, music instructor since 1968. Bloom directs the Schoolcraft College Choir, the Madrigal Singers and a vocal jazz ensemble called SCoolJazz. Known statewide, Bloom conducts for the Ann Arbor Civic Theater and is music director of the Ann Arbor Cantata Singers. Last March he conducted Benjamin Britten's "War Requiem," with choral groups and the Grand Rapids Symphony Orchestra, in both Grand Rapids and Detroit.

Bloom plans to "continue the standards and high quality of this department — to serve not only those seeking a career, but also those interested in furthering their musical avocation."

THE NATURE and path of the music department have been well rounded," said Larry Ordowski, assistant dean of liberal arts. "We have re-

viewed our goals and are making a strong commitment to the liberal and fine arts."

Enrollment in liberal and fine arts at Schoolcraft nearly doubled from 1979 to 1984. "Twenty-five percent of our transfer students (those planning to earn a bachelor's degree at a four-year college) are presently enrolled in the study of the liberal arts, music or art," Ordowski said.

"From the fall of 1982 through fall of 1984, the music department has served 539 regularly enrolled credit students and 200 students in its community education or community service music programs."

TWO WELL-KNOWN music faculty members at Schoolcraft are composer-instructor Robert Jones and Donald Morelock, head of the piano department.

Jones was hired in 1972 as composer-in-residence, under a special grant. A specialist in music history and theory, he has written 32 compositions for local performances. Next spring the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra will perform Jones' Concerto for Viola and Orchestra with Paul Doktor as soloist.

Morelock, trained in music performance at the University of Michigan, has studied in Vienna, New York and Aspen. He joined the Schoolcraft faculty in 1967. Under his tutelage, 60 Schoolcraft students have transferred to U-M. He also has taught scores of piano teachers through the piano teachers certification program. Pioneered at Schoolcraft in 1972, this program is the largest of its kind in any college music department or music school in Michigan, the administration says. Morelock is assisted by adjunct instructors Jean Candlish and Linda Wottring.

TWICE MORELOCK has been awarded the title of "teacher of the year" — in 1981-2 by the Livonia Piano Teachers Forum and last year by the Michigan Music Teachers Association.

In the last two years, 12 students from his preparatory program in piano were invited to the Interlochen Sum-



Donald Morelock is known statewide as a Schoolcraft College faculty member, developer of new programs and piano performer.

mer Music All-State program for outstanding junior high and high school students. Morelock himself taught at Interlochen last summer.

He started Schoolcraft's college preparatory program for piano in 1976. It now has 80 students, largest in the state. Most students meet for 60 minutes of group work and 30 minutes of private lessons for 36 weeks. "It was a grass-roots project. We had tremendous community response," he said.

Morelock ran off a list of former Schoolcraft students who have earned musical honors.

Joe Mathia, a Schoolcraft alumnus and former high school honors program member from Livonia, is completing a master of music degree at

Southern Methodist University. Mathia has taught at SMU for four years on a \$7,000 annual scholarship.

He was the second undergraduate to teach in SMU's nationally acclaimed piano pedagogy program. He has been asked to accompany the Dallas ballet in 1984.

SEVERAL FORMER Schoolcraft summer music school students are members of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra:

Debra Fayroian, Livonia Stevenson High graduate, and Paul Wingard, Livonia, cellists; Corbin Wagner, Livonia, horn; Clark Suttle, former Livonian, double bass; and Kirk Toth, former Livonian, violin.

Suttle attended U-M, where he won

the Stanley medal, highest award given to an undergraduate.

Other prominent former Schoolcraft music students:

• Mark Agababian, Livonia — \$1,000 first prize from Oakway Symphony Orchestra's young artists competition. He is currently a senior at U-M.

• Alexander Duke, Livonia — highest piano award from the Michigan Music Teachers Association; full scholarship for his junior and senior years at Michigan State University; piano soloist with University Orchestra at MSU.

• Daniel Horn, Livonia — doctoral candidate in piano performance at the Julliard School of Music; currently on the faculty at Wheaton College.

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TAKING ITS commuter-college role seriously, Schoolcraft's music department looks for ways to serve "non-traditional" students.

"We hadn't added new programs in a while," said Midge Ellis, coordinator of special events. "We asked ourselves if we were meeting the needs of adult high-school students."

Pointing to the decline in some high-school music programs, Ellis said the faculty visited schools to see if the college could fill voids. "They concluded they could provide programs not available to precollegiate musicians."

This winter, the college offers high school students six programs which they may either audit or take for college credit: Symposium-Instrumental I and II, High School Honors Concert Band, History of Jazz, High School Honors Jazz Ensemble, Techniques of Jazz Improvisation and Piano Instruction.

A new offering, Choral Conducting Certification, is designed for conductors of school, church and civic choruses.

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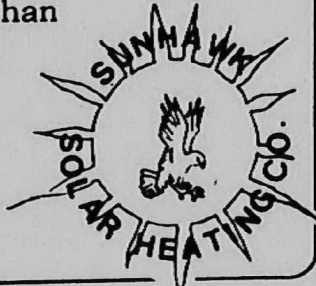
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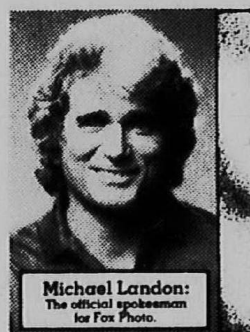
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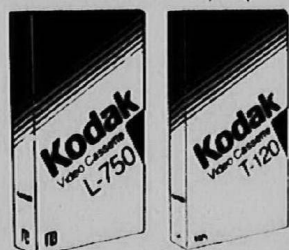


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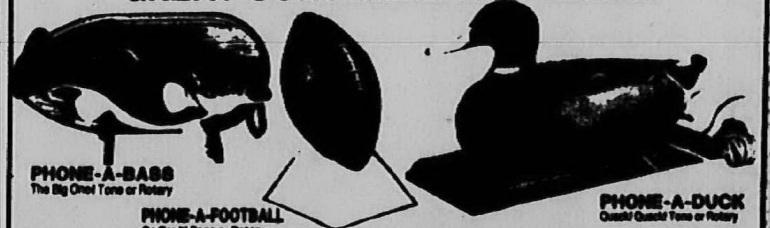
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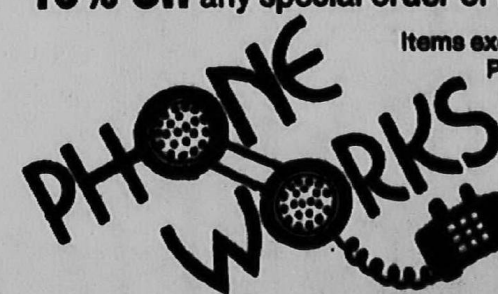
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from our readers

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C&O explains railroad delay

To the editor:
I wish to respond to a letter written to the Plymouth Observer on Nov. 15 by Patricia Mistak of Plymouth concerning the delay she experienced at Sheldon Road at approximately 10:55 a.m., when a train blocked the road crossing.
First, I am sorry that Mrs. Mistak, as well as other citizens, were

delayed on Sheldon Road on that date but the reason for the problem was a mechanical failure within the train on rail car RTTX 903829, which was caused by the air brakes being inoperative.
This train had three diesel locomotive units with 94 loads, and started to pull at 11 a.m. but then

the air brake trouble developed on RTTX 903829 and it was impossible to move the train until the problem was corrected.
All railroad trains have the best principle of fail-safe, so that when the air brake system activates, either by manual control by the engineer or due to a physical defect, it is absolutely necessary to "restore the air" before the train can move.

Many persons have the mistaken impression that one can quickly move a train off a grade crossing after activation of the air brake system in an emergency application. This is totally false, for the system is designed to "restore the air" or isolate the failure, which requires considerable time.
The Chessie System Railroads are sorry for the delay and inconvenience to motorists on the date of the problem, and I can assure you we are constantly striving to avoid blockage of the crossings in the Plymouth area.

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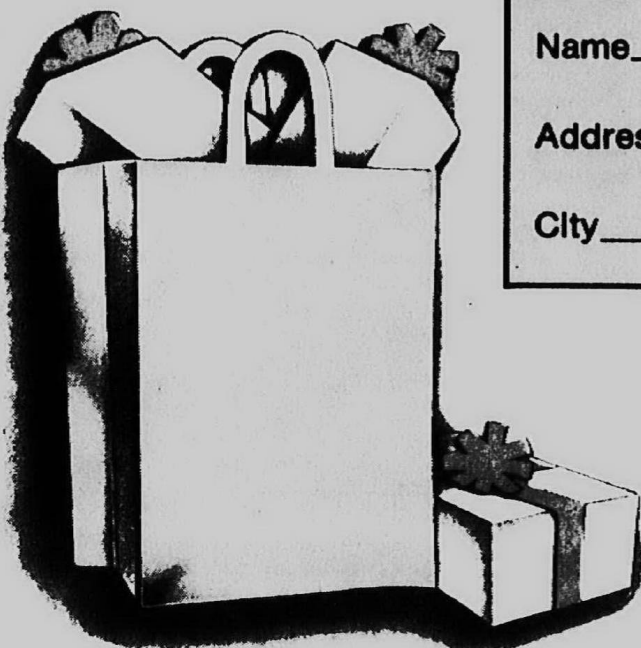
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Salem puts an end to Pats super year

By Brad Emons
staff writer

One season ended sadly, while another continued happily Tuesday night.

Plymouth Salem, using a 14-point spurt in the third quarter, advanced to tonight's regional girls basketball final against Trenton with 54-37 win over Livonia Franklin, Observerland's surprise team of 1984.

The Rocks, who'll remain on their home floor for the championship game, beat the Patriots with a precision-like attack, getting solid contributions from all five starters.

Dena Head, a 5-foot-10 freshman, did the bulk of the damage against Franklin, scoring 20 points, including 9 in the decisive third period.

Leading by only 3 early in the third quarter, Salem's defense began to jell

and the Patriots went stone cold. During a five-minute stretch, Head scored 6 points with Mary Beth Weast and Fran Whittaker getting 4 each to make it 36-19.

Although Franklin made a run near the end of the third quarter, cutting the margin to 12, 39-27, the damage had been done.

"WE PLAYED as good a game as we can play," said Salem coach Fred Thomann, whose team upped its record to 20-4. "Franklin comes at you with hard pressure. They're quick and they run a lot of different traps at you."

"We were able to flow pretty good tonight, and we took care of the ball as well as we have all season."

Franklin, whose tallest starter is 5-6, could not deal underneath against Head.

"She (Head) hurt us inside," said Franklin coach Tim Newman, whose team bowed out with a 17-5 record. "She did a nice job. We didn't want her to hurt us like she did."

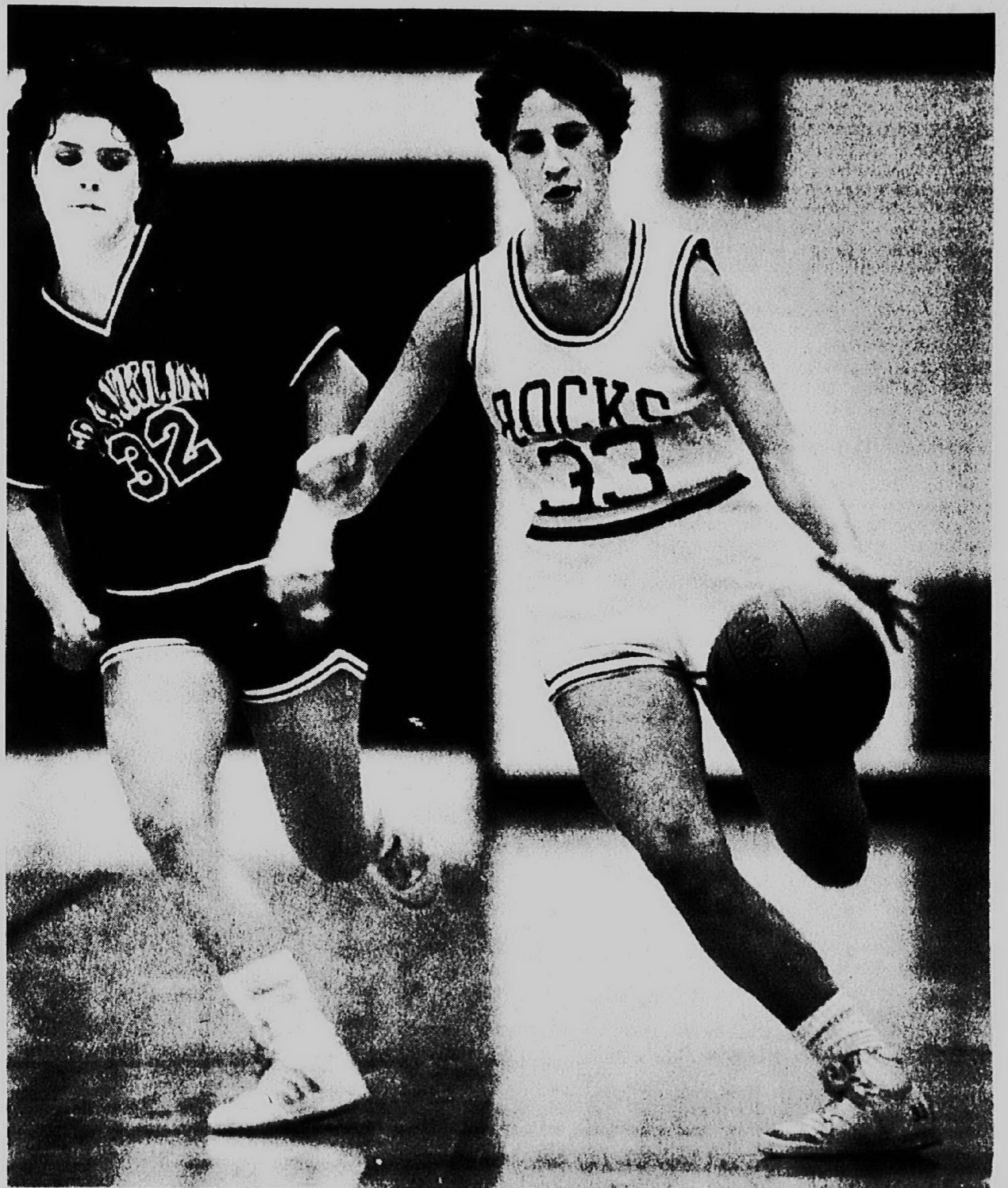
The freshman wasn't the only player to hurt Franklin. Weast finished with 15 points and Whittaker added 11. Guard Reggie Rojas contributed 6 points and forward Kendra Hostynski hauled down 9 rebounds.

"The growth of this team is starting to take hold," Thomann said. "We're doing a good job with the little things to help us win."

"Offensively the key was dealing with their pressure. Tonight we looked inside better than we have all season."

FRANKLIN, meanwhile, had trouble

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BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Salem senior Fran Whittaker (33) drives by Franklin's Kris Lovich in the Rocks' regional semifinal win Tuesday. Whittaker scored 11 points.

Impressive Salem victory sets stage for fierce rivalry in finals

By Chris McCosky
staff writer

Trenton vs. Plymouth Salem. The rivalry that wouldn't die.

Many prep sports fans were saddened three years ago when the old Suburban 8 League folded and Salem joined Western Lakes.

Why? Because, they figured that would put an end to the often-bitter, always-intense Trenton-Salem rivalry.

They had no way of knowing at the time that the rivalry would continue thanks to girls basketball.

There is a significant difference between the old rivalry and the new one. The stakes have gone up. Instead of playing for the Sub 8 title, the Rocks and the Trojans seem to play for a

state Class A regional championship every year.

LAST YEAR, the Rocks whipped Trenton 43-29 and advanced to the state quarterfinals.

This year, Salem, by virtue of its 54-37 drubbing of Livonia Franklin Tuesday, will host Trenton tonight at 7:30. Trenton rolled over Romulus Tuesday.

So, here we go again.

"We're really looking forward to playing Salem again," said successful Trenton coach John Biedenbach. "They beat us in the regional finals last year. I guess we could use the revenge factor to our advantage."

Biedenbach has done an amazing job with his team. At the start of the season, he had but eight players on his

roster. They struggled at first and then began to hit stride. The Trojans are at their peak right now. They are 19-5 and possess one of the finest backcourt tandems around.

Debbie Gibaratz made several all-state teams a year ago and has starred for Trenton since her sophomore year. Her backcourt mate is junior Michele Snider who is both quick with the ball and aggressive without it.

SALEM COACH Fred Thomann is aware of Trenton's backcourt.

"Trenton has a tremendous backcourt and we're going to have to be prepared for that," he said. "But, we played against Tracy Letka (Franklin)

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Readers reply to pin coverage: Rather bowl than read about it

POLLS ARE THE PULSE of the public. Two weeks ago I wouldn't have said that, but that was before the public agreed with me.

That isn't to say there was a consensus on what mankind's favorite sport is, a question I asked in my column two weeks ago. But, after carefully analyzing, scrutinizing and categorizing responses, some startling insights into our readership became evident:

- A majority cannot count to 25, which was the maximum number of words to be written on the subject;

- A lot more people wasted a stamp to mail in their replies than I anticipated. I thought at least a few readers would drop their answers off and try to collect a stamp from me;

- Bowling isn't anybody's favorite sport.

There are different interpretations to the poll responses. Some say responsible bowlers would rather roll a few lines than waste time writing one to me. Others insist bowlers believe in direct action. I'm not sure what that means, and I'm not sure I want to find out.

Still a third opinion is that the poll proved one of two things: either bowlers don't read my column, or bowlers really can't read.

But it was my poll so I'll interpret it any way I want. And I say people don't like to read bowling results. Of the responses I received, only one supported bowling, and he was not unhappy with our coverage.

But enough of what I think. Here's what the readers say (due to space consideration, some letters are excerpted).

Dear C.J.,
On this Thanksgiving Day we have much to be thankful for. Not the least is that we don't have to read about bowling.

William Henry

Couldn't put it better myself.

Dear C.J.,
Ernest Hemingway said that there are two sports: mountain climbing and auto racing. The rest are games. Therefore, my favorite sport is auto racing.

Douglas Wellgart

Wow, what better authority is there than Hemingway? He's the guy who wrote for Sports Illustrated, isn't he?

Dear C.J.,
There is too much emphasis on sports. My favorite to watch is football (pro) and baseball (I will do book and office work at the same time). For participation, it's bowling and softball.

Bowling is a great sport and requires skill and practice for perfection. Most sports can be used as an exercise or social recreation, depending on various leagues. Don't run down bowling, comparing it with football and baseball, and I won't



C.J.
Risak

run down the Observer & Eccentric comparing it to the News and Free Press.

Al Winkel

I assume that means you agree with me, Al. The point I was trying to make wasn't that people don't bowl. Rather, it was that because people like to bowl doesn't mean they want to read about it.

Dear C.J.,
Great column (Nov. 22). I don't mind bowling once each year. Generally on New Year's Eve, when I can't get a date. If you must, put bowling in the classified section. I don't read that.

Big Bill

I feel nothing but sympathy for anyone who spends New Year's Eve in a bowling alley.

Dear C.J.,
What is mankind's favorite sport? The one in which he is not proficient.

It is the one in which the participant's sweat — that proves it is difficult, and only the most fit can participate (this leaves out most of mankind).

It is one which has very complicated rules or which requires very short time spans in which to accomplish it. Mankind can only be expected to understand those rules, not to be able to play and understand at the same time.

It is not bowling — that is a social event. No real sport gives the participant two chances every time he is up to achieve the game's real goal, and then allows him to sit down and socialize until it is his turn again.

Please don't print bowling scores. Keep up the coverage of track and field, soccer, swimming — and baseball and football if you must.

Mary Howarth

I agree that there's very little exercise in bowling, unless you want to call lifting beer-weighted glasses exercise.

Dear C.J.,
I don't care a twit about bowling. What I want is more coverage of tiddly winks. Anyone who hasn't winked a tiddly hasn't lived.

Snidely Tweedle

Tiddly winks — that sounds ominous. I think it could be worse than bowling.

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A PLYMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL FLASHBACK

The first week of May, 1975 saw the Plymouth Salem Rocks record 2 key baseball wins. The first, a 7-6 nonleague victory over Ypsilanti featured a fine hitting and pitching performance by John DenHouter, Chuck Thomas picked up the save. Charlie Johnson, Dave Pierce, Brian Wolcott and Tim Dillon all delivered key run-scoring base hits. Against Belleville later in the week, Tom Willette pitched the first 5 innings allowing just one hit while striking out 12 in a 10-0 Salem bombardment. Hitting heroes included Dan Moore, Doug Tripp and Howard Inch. The Rocks took a 5-2 league mark into Tuesday showdown with Redford Union.

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Veteran Rock coach eyes retirement

By Chris McCosky
staff writer

ONE COACH is making a fresh start and the other, after 21 seasons, is seriously contemplating his retirement.

That's what's new on the prep wrestling scene around the Centennial Educational Park going into this season.

Rick Menoch is the new head man at Plymouth Canton. He replaces Dan Chrenko, the man who literally built the Canton wrestling program from square one. In 11 years, Chrenko rolled up a 66-58-4 mark, 63-39-4 since 1975.

But Menoch is no stranger to high school wrestling. He was the head man at Birmingham Seaholm for seven years before becoming a counselor at Central Middle School in 1977.

During his stint at Seaholm, Menoch led the Maples to two Southeastern Michigan Association second place finishes.

Ron Krueger, the only wrestling coach Plymouth Salem has ever had, is talking about retiring. It's nothing official yet, but he's giving it some serious thought. He did submit a letter of resignation last year, along with Chrenko, but he changed his mind and agreed to coach at least one more year.

"How long did I tell you I've been coaching? (21 years all told.) That's a long time," he said. "Most people get to spend Christmas with their families. I spend it watching Temperance-Bedford and people like that wrestle."

But, retirement thoughts haven't dampened his zest for coaching. In fact, they have spurred him on some.

"If this does turn out to be my last year, and I'm not saying it is, I'd like to go out on a winning note," he said.

Chances are good Salem could repeat as Western Lakes champions this season, although Krueger thinks it will be a tough task. Chances are also good that Canton will be in the thick of the

wrestling

league title chase. Here's a look at the two teams:

PLYMOUTH SALEM

The Rocks, a very young club a year ago, started slowly and came on like a tidal wave from midseason on to capture the league meet in stunning fashion.

Krueger says look for much the same this year.

"We've got a lot of kids hurt right now, and we're still young," he said. "Right now, I don't think we are as tough as we want to be. But, by the end, we could be alright."

The Rocks will be led this year by the Dameron brothers. Dennis, as a freshman last year, was one of the area's best lightweights. He will again wrestle in the 98-pound class.

Brother Dave, a national AAU champion last summer, will wrestle at 126 pounds in this his junior year. Krueger is hoping for big things from Dave.

"I don't want to say that he is a potential state champion or anything right now. That's not fair. There are a lot of kids in his weight class who are good and who have beaten him before. Dave is going to have to work for everything he gets. Nobody hands you anything," Krueger said.

Andy Ward, a returning senior, will be very strong at 145. Eric Retting, another experienced senior, will either go at 155 or 167.

Seniors Keith Kwasny and Greg Woodhuck, both currently hampered with injuries, will most likely contribute in the 155 or 167 weights.

There is a trio of seniors battling for

the 138 job: Bill Morely, Mike Wilson and Frank Blair. The trio gives the Rocks a great deal of scoring power at that weight, regardless who emerges as No. 1.

Other seniors vying for starting spots are Ken Freeman at 112 and Marc Cygan at heavyweight.

Juniors Jamie Woodhuck (185) and Brian Johnson (198), both experienced and talented, will give the Rocks power in the heavier weights.

Juniors Brain Wheble and Kirk Rentz (currently out with a knee injury) are fighting for the 132 position and Kevin Freeman will most likely hold fort at 119.

Sophomore Tim Ott appears to have won a spot at 105.

"We're more or less going to be like last year," Krueger said. "We won the league with overall team depth."

"We've set some goals and they will only be accomplished through hard work. We would like very much to get back into the top 10 in the state. Last year we got bumped out. We don't want to stay away too long or else it'll be too hard to get back in."

Salem opens its season tonight at Walled Lake Central.

PLYMOUTH CANTON

You can get a good indication of a program's success by the number of kids that tryout.

Menoch has 46 kids on his roster; 13 seniors, 11 juniors, and 12 sophomores.

"The interest is definitely there," he said. "We should be very competitive in the league."

Menoch said that, thanks in part to the help of Chrenko, the coaching change has not been a problem.

"It's gone real nice. Out of all the kids that came out, we only lost four and that's pretty good. The seniors and juniors have taken control of the team. The transition has been smooth mainly



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Dave Dameron, a national AAU wrestling champion this summer, will be counted on to score heavily for the Rocks this season.

because Dan has been there to help out."

The talent is there too for the Chiefs, led by senior co-captains Jim Malson and Scott Tasker. Malson, an All-Area performer a year ago, should again be the dominant big man in the area. Tasker came on strong to bolster Canton at 155.

With Tasker, seniors Todd Cherry (167), Mike Graczyk (185), Ernie Krumm (198) and Malson, Menoch feels his team will be very tough in the heavier weights.

The weakness, Menoch admits, is in

the team's overall inexperience.

"We have a lot of beginning wrestlers," he said. "We are going to have to go with two or three beginners, and they just won't have the techniques down."

Most of the inexperience will come at the lighter weights. Steve Ebejer, sophomore, will go at 105. Tom Brenner, a first-year junior, will wrestle at 98.

Junior Tim Birely has some experience at 119. He and senior Tom Alonso are battling it out in that weight.

Menoch is expecting big things from

junior Dave Dunford (112) and senior Frank Drabek at 126.

There are two hotly contested battles being waged for the middle weights. At 132, senior Jim Parks and junior Jay Pollard are dueling. Senior Ron Fowler and junior Pennsylvania transfer Greg Miller are going after the 138 job.

Junior Troy McCall seems to have a lock at 145.

"I'm very excited to see how things go this year," Menoch said.

The Chiefs will get their first test tonight at Walled Lake Western.

Salem boys swimmers set win streaks on line again

By Chris McCosky
staff writer

THE PLYMOUTH SALEM boys swim team has never lost a Western Lakes dual meet, Western Lakes relay meet or a Western Lakes league meet.

But they did lose Scott Anderson, Erik Kleinsmith, Bob Bowling, Dave Workman and Chuck Eudy to graduation last year. And those losses make Rock coach Chuck Olson wonder how long he can keep those streaks intact.

"I don't know if we can hold our record of unbeaten streaks," Olson said. Olson is entering his 12th season

as Salem's boys coach. "Livonia Stevenson is awfully good. It will be very difficult for us."

Don't get the wrong idea. Olson isn't throwing in the towel. Far from it. He's got a very solid bunch of swimmers returning.

"You know, we were rated below Livonia Stevenson at the beginning of last year, too. We've got the bodies out, and we're working hard. We might be able to hang in there."

EXPECTED TO score heavily for the Rocks this season are senior tri-captains Jim Burns (freestyle and backstroke), Mike Harwood (individual medley and backstroke) and Greg

Wolff (freestyle, butterfly).

Harwood and Wolff were state qualifiers a year ago.

Senior Jon Cain (freestyle) and Don Harwood (backstroke, IM), state qualifiers last year, also will have to help pick up the slack for the heavy graduation losses.

Olson is looking for big things from seniors Bill Mathews, Jim Hayes and diver Jay Schmidt.

"We have a real nice group of juniors." And they include Tony Atwell, Jamie Dunn, Eric Gachenback, Mark South, Paul South and Rick Cummings.

Sophomore Kevin Zarow is also showing a great deal of promise.

"We're not going to be too bad. We've got 34 bodies out, and we're starting to come around. We don't have any year-round swimmers. We won't know exactly where we're at until after Christmas."

The Rocks open at home tonight against Ypsilanti.

PLYMOUTH CANTON

It's a good news-bad news situation in the Canton pool this season.

The bad news is that only 19 kids came out. Among those that stayed away were three frontline swimmers and a diver.

The good news is that 13 of the 19

are promising sophomores.

"We won't be a great team," coach Hooker Wellman said. "We have some decent swimmers in each event. We're real young, but there isn't any real pressure on us. We're just building a program."

Captains Jim Casler and John Ahrens, both seniors, will play a dual role for the Chiefs. They will be counted on to score heavily and also provide leadership to the large group of sophomores.

Andy Flower, a junior, was the second-best diver in the Western Lakes a year ago and should be among the leaders this year.

Among the 13 sophomores are four who are expected to contribute heavily this year. They are Dean Roberts, Steve Schwinn, Frank Wisniewski and Kevin Mack, a transfer student from Redford Catholic Central.

Senior Rob Schuessler, junior Rob Tipaldy and freshman Mickey Adamzak also will play prominent roles.

"Win or lose this season, we've got some real good kids on this team," Wellman said. "In the past, we've had some problem kids. This year, everyone seems to have a real good attitude."

The Chiefs travel to Redford Union tonight in their opener.

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Cold weather heats up keglers

It long has been a tradition that bowling scores soar with the coming of cold weather.

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The proof came when two perfect games were bowled along with two 700 series so far and the season is only at the halfway point. And what happened at Wonderland was repeated in many houses in Observerland.

WONDERLAND: Fred Ringrose and Tom Higley were inducted into the 700 club when Fred posted a 707 series in the Classic and Tom came in with a 704 in the Fisher Body league. The perfect games were the work of Tony Clifton in the Classic and John Langley. On the women's side, Debby Hanson posted a 620 and Sally Wolfe had a 643.

MERRI-BOWL: Craig Sankowski missed being inducted into the 700 club by nine pins when he recorded a 691 in the men's doubles. In the ladies doubles, Deb Shirley set the pace with 642, one pin more than Jan Elliott.

In the pocket

by W.W. Edgar

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WOODLAND: Randy Smith earned a place in the 700 club with a 289 game in a 718 series. In the ladies competition, Carol Sturgis had a 244 for high single game.

GARDEN LANES: Bob Crawford earned the spotlight for the week when he linked games of 249, 257 and 209 for 715 in the Vinco league. His nearest rival was Brad Lackey with a 668. In the St. John Boscoe loop, Dick Pilar was high with a 174 single game.

SUPER BOWL: Scores hit a new high

for the season when three new members were admitted to the 700 club. Dick Cockerill, who carries a 192 average, had a perfect middle game in a 723. Rick Stoneburner was next in line with 719 and Chris Tille had a 701.

WESTLAND BOWL: In the Tri-city men's league, Bob Schmidt used a 269 middle game to reach a 724 series. Mickey Cowetzka opened with a 268 on the way to a 672 series. In the Wednesday men's league, Jim Bugeja set the pace with a 244 in 678.

BEL-AIRE: Janene Lemieux had the ladies high single game with 244.

Head has hot hand as Rocks beat Pats

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getting its fast break going and the shots to fall.

"The kids played hard — I can't complain about that," Newman said. "His (Thomann's) kids hit some very good shots, some clutch shots at that."

"We had opportunities, but we didn't cash in. My only disappointment is that the season came to an end. It was a joy working with them."

Carolyn Smith ended her fine career with 13 points to lead the Patriots. Two other senior starters, Kris Lovich and Jill Phillips, added 8 and 7, respectively.

"We knew we had to take away

their transition and not let Smith and Phillips start cooking on us," Thomann said. "And we did a pretty good job on (Tracy) Lectka (5 points), too. That was a big factor."

Newman, who has brought the Patriots two league co-championships and its first district crown ever in three years, was crushed by the loss.

"I'm going to miss them already," he said. "I've been with them for three years and they've gone from a mediocre team to a good team. I liked coaching them because they're good kids. They did whatever I asked."

Thomann, meanwhile, hopes his team can repeat its performance again tonight.

Salem-Trenton in finale

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and did a nice job on her. We played against Julie Pucci (John Glenn) and did a nice job, and we played against Beth Frigge (Canton) and I thought we did a nice job. So, we've had to play against some outstanding guards."

What worries Thomann at least as much as Trenton's backcourt, is the point production they get from their front court people.

Thomann sat and watched Trenton's Brenda McNeil, a 5-9 forward, score 21 against Romulus. Trenton also has a 5-7 senior named Mary Ann Carmichael who can fill it up from long range.

"What really impresses me about Trenton is that their big people shoot so well from the perimeter. That really causes problems for your defense because Gibaratz is a penetrator and if you come over to help out on her, she dumps the ball off. If you don't help out, she scores the layup," Thomann said.

BUT, TRENTON isn't the only team riding a crest. Salem is playing its best basketball of the season as well.

Ask Franklin. The Patriots were completely unable to run their vaunted fastbreak

against Salem simply because the Rocks' defense shut down the passing lanes and forced Franklin to dribble the ball upcourt.

The Patriots were unable to score largely because Salem's defense shut down their big guns, Carolyn Smith, Tracy Lectka and Jill Phillips.

And the Rocks ran their offense as well as ever and they shot the same way (23 of 47 from the floor).

The scorebook will show that freshman Dena Head scored 20 points and Mary Beth Weast scored 15. And both were outstanding. But, what won't show up is the fine performances of Kendra Hostynski and especially Fran Whittaker.

Hostynski was a force inside. She pulled down 9 rebounds on the night completely out-muscled Franklin's Phillips.

Whittaker did a bit of everything. She scored (11 points), she played demonic-defense on Smith, she made 5 steals, she rebounded well and she made several key assists.

IT WAS Whittaker who triggered Salem's 14-point run in the third quarter. She hit Head twice on pretty passes inside for scores. She forced one turnover and made a steal for another — both leading to Salem scores — and chipped in 4 points.

Correction

In C.J. Risak's column, which appeared in last Thursday's edition of the Observer, he wrote that there were doubters regarding the forming of a varsity women's soccer team at Schoolcraft College.

Dr. Marv Gans has clarified the issue, saying what he meant was that

there were doubters regarding sending the team to the NJCAA tournament after it had failed to win a match there last year. Gans added that the Schoolcraft Athletic Committee has been fully supportive in making women's soccer a varsity sport at Schoolcraft. We regret any misinterpretations.

Readers reply to bowling column

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Dear C.J.,
Cross country is a sport where the values of hard work, dedication and persistence pay off. It is a place where the athlete's main competition is himself. It teaches the values of life.

Bob Stark

Nobly written. I can't find fault with any of the sentiment expressed. Besides, I know better than to argue with the Brother Rice cross country coach.

Dear C.J.,
The favorite sport of mankind is track! I'm fed up with balls — baseballs, footballs, basketballs, and especially bowling balls.

Anne

Doesn't running circles around a track get a bit tiresome, too?

Dear C.J.,
Soccer (is mankind's favorite sport) — evidence the 1.4 million U.S. fans who attended the Olympic matches this past summer, more than most other sports combined.

Unsigned

Yes, but in California they'll turn out for anything. I enjoy soccer, and there's no doubt it is growing quickly as a participant's sport. But, despite those crowds, it hasn't proved to be a steady draw in the U.S.

Dear C.J.,
Mankind's favorite sport? That's easy — soccer. Not surprising either, since it combines the best of athletics with reasonable cost and convenience on a worldwide basis.

By the way, thanks for asking and I do enjoy O&E coverage of sports. How about another page? W.E. McMinn, DDS

Thanks for the plug, Doc. We could use an extra page — some extra help, too. But then who couldn't?

Dear C.J.,
I would like to respond to the question you posed in your Thursday, Nov. 22, column: What is mankind's favorite sport?

Soccer. What is mankind's second favorite sport? Volleyball. In the context of your column, you should have asked, "What sport do you want to read about?"

It is very difficult for a culturally biased community to respond effectively for the entirety of mankind. Therefore, you will not find out what mankind's favorite sport is, and you will not find out what people are interested in reading about. My favorite participant sport is very different than my favorite spectator sport.

Brian Hiram

On the contrary, the response you've sent is exactly what I was searching for. Thank you.

Dear C.J.,
I say that 99.9 percent of the nation's sports fans swim. Mankind's favorite sport is swimming. I could go on and tell you why, but you requested a short reply.

Steve Taormina

Hard to say, though, if it's sport or survival. With some people it's swim or sink.

Dear C.J.,
(First of three replies) Tennis is mankind's favorite sport because there isn't a risk of dropping an 11-pound bowling ball on your foot (tennis balls are much lighter in weight).

(Second reply) Tennis is mankind's favorite sport because all athlete rejects are bowlers (real athletes play tennis).

(Third reply) Tennis is mankind's favorite sport because one competes against people, not pins. Julie Smith

Fine logic, Julie, although I doubt you'll get many bowlers on the tennis courts. Which is okay, since their bowling balls tend to rip down the nets and wreck the courts.

Dear C.J.,
My favorite sport is watching Kelly Tripucka. I guess you'd call that basketball. Actually, I love basketball, especially the Pistons and Ladywood. Beth Danilowicz

I'm happy to hear you love the sport so much. I know it's Tripucka's jump shot that gets your heart thumping — right?

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Who will it be?

Western Lakes basketball outlook a tossup

By Brad Emons
and Chris McCosky
staff writers

The second year of the Western Lakes Activities Association (WLAA) boys basketball playoffs produced a surprise winner, Plymouth Canton, and a surprise finalist, Livonia Churchill.

Plymouth Salem, the team with the best overall record last year in the two-divisional set-up, was knocked off by both teams — Canton during the regular season and Churchill in the playoffs.

So it was no fluke to see those two teams in the finals.

The team with the best overall talent last season, Livonia Stevenson, never got it together. The Spartans are big and have experience again, but whether they come to play every night is another story.

Stevenson should be battling it out with Walled Lake Central and Salem for the Lakes Division crown, while the Western Division appears to be a toss-up between Canton and Farmington Harrison. But don't count out Northville, Churchill, Walled Lake Western. Those teams cannot be far behind.

Here is a pre-season look at the Observerland schools in the WLAA.

LIVONIA STEVENSON

The Spartans return a good nucleus of players, the top loss being leading scorer Tom Domako, a 6-foot-7 swingman who went on to Montana State.

Veteran coach George Van Wagoner hopes this year's team will play more like a team after last year's disappointing 16-6 overall record.

"We'll have better team play — both offensively and defensively," he said.

The leading returnee is 6-6 senior forward Bob Sluka, the team's top rebounder who also averaged 13 points per game en route to second team All-Observerland honors. Sluka is flanked on the front line by 6-4 senior center Vic Nettie and 6-4 senior forward Matt Burdiss, both showed flashes of promise last year.

The Spartans are pretty well set at guard with the return of seniors Ed Gilbert (6-0), Pete Huddy (5-9) and Pat Williams (6-0).

Depth will be provided by juniors Jim Kimble (6-1), Dan Palmisano (6-1), Dan Krafft (6-1), Joe Diglio (5-9), Chip Fineran (6-0) and John Kuffel (5-9).

"We'll run a one- and two-guard front with some pattern offense," said Van Wagoner, now in his 19th season. "We'll break when we can."

"We'll change defenses — use pressure whenever possible."

LIVONIA CHURCHILL

Fourth in the Western Division last season, Churchill (13-9) made a mad

dash to the WLAA playoff final before losing to Canton.

Four starters are gone, including Steve Juodawlkis and John Grzybek, second and third team All-Observerland picks, respectively.

"It's a rebuilding year, even though looking at the league, there are no dominating players," said Churchill fifth-year coach Don Albertson. "We won't be able to post down by the low post. We'll fast break and press."

The lone returning starter is 6-0 forward Scott Hille, a mid-year transfer who solidified the Chargers' lineup. In nine games he averaged 12.6 points and shot 47 percent from the floor.

But Hille won't be available for the Chargers' first three games because he has been suspended for school disciplinary reasons.

Hoping to pick up the slack in his absence is Mike Hermanson, a 6-4 senior and part-time starter last year.

Albertson also said that 6-0 senior forward Mike Meehan will start.

The other spots are open with JV graduates Andy Oliver and Mickey Katschor, both 6 feet, vying at guard. Other possible starters include first-year leaper Ken Gendjar (6-0), junior Kevin Yost (6-0), senior Dave Andrus (6-1), and senior co-captain Mike Scicluna (6-2). Also vying for time are Matt Ahearn, Ken Slivka, Don Olds and Bentley transfer Jason Landry.

LIVONIA BENTLEY

Second-year coach Tom Niemi will see out the final basketball team ever to go through the doors of Bentley (the school will close in June).

Although the Bulldogs struggled through the regular season, they caught fire in post-season play, winning the Churchill District by upsetting Stevenson and reaching the regional final before losing to Detroit Henry Ford.

All five starters are gone from last year's 10-13 team, including 6-8 center Phil Graczyk, who averaged 16 points and 17 rebounds per game. Graczyk is now at Eastern Michigan.

Niemi, however, used 10 people most of the time with the second five all returning. They include seniors Sal Demilio, a 6-3 center; Pat Schneider, a 6-2 center; Brian Beitz, a 6-1 swingman; Dennis Patchett, a 6-0 swingman; and Steve Carli, a 5-9 point guard.

"We have a lot of inexperience," Niemi said. "Last year we had a tall team. This year rebounding could be a problem."

Niemi will adjust his style of play somewhat.

"We'll pressure more than in the past," he said. "We can't afford to play half-court basketball because we're not big. We've got to make our opportunities with defense. We'll have to be a scratching, claw-type team. We'll have

to work for everything we get."

The schedule makers did not do Bentley any favors. The Bulldogs open the season Friday at Dearborn Heights Robichaud, one of the top Class B teams in the state.

PLYMOUTH CANTON

The Chiefs enjoyed one of their finest campaigns, going 16-6 a year ago and winning the league championship.

But, four of the five starters off last year's team, including Mark Bennett and Gary Thomas, have graduated.

What's left are three solid players off the 1984-85 team and a host of promising newcomers.

"We are cautiously optimistic," said head coach Dave Van Wagoner, last year's Observerland Coach of the Year.

"With only two players with experience back, it may take some time for us to jell. . . But, if we can play an up-tempo game and hold our own on the glass, we will be right there battling for the Western Division title."

Jim Schlicker, a tremendous leaper, will be counted on to pick up the scoring slack. Kevin Hawkins, Canton's sixth man last year, is a strong inside player despite his 6-foot-1 frame.

Those two, along with senior guard Brent Stack, will captain the Chiefs.

Van Wagoner is high on junior point guard Joel Mies. Mies transferred in from Illinois and is solid playmaking guard. Another surprise has been Dave Knapp. An All-Area football player, Knapp is playing basketball for the first time since eighth grade, but Van Wagoner is considering him as a starting forward.

Like last year, Canton is small. But, also like last year, they are quick and aggressive. They will play a menacing defense and run the fastbreak as often as possible.

PLYMOUTH SALEM

The big news here, obviously, is that Fred Thomann is no longer the head coach.

Thomann resigned after taking the Rocks to a 20-4 season and a district championship last year.

Bob Brodie, a longtime assistant at Salem, will replace Thomann.

Salem, despite heavy graduation losses — notably Erich Hartnett, Rick Berberet and Jeff Arnold — should be as up among the WLAA leaders as usual.

Seniors Mike White (6-0 guard-forward), LeSean Haygood (6-5 post player) and Eric Sovine (5-11 guard) will trigger the Rock attack.

The Rocks are fast. They will run as much as possible. And, like the Salem teams of the past, they will center their game on tough defense.

"We will be competitive in both the division and league race, but I'm also a bit cautious because of our lack of varsity experience," Brodie said.

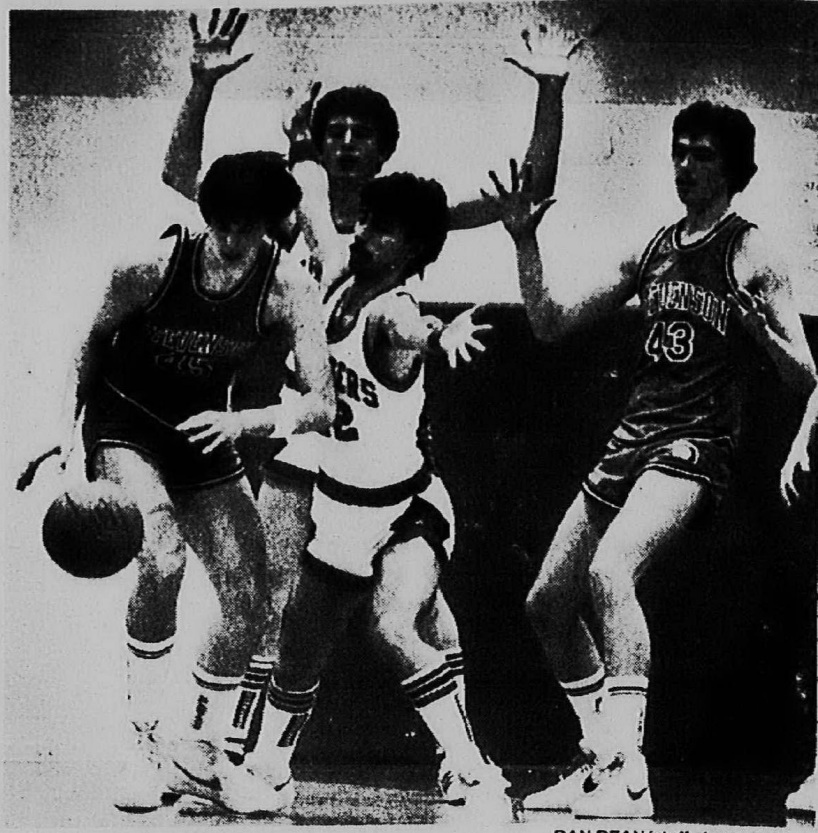
Newcomers expected to play key roles for Salem are Paul Makara (junior guard), Steve Potoczak (senior forward), Steve Sobditch (senior guard), Mike Hale (sophomore forward), Bryan Waldron (junior guard) and Bryan Karas (sophomore guard).

FARMINGTON HARRISON

Mike Teachman may have the most improved team in the league.

"The senior leadership is right," the eight-year veteran coach said. "If we come together as a team, we could be in the thick of the race for the Western Division."

The reason for his optimism is simple. Seniors John Miller (6-2 swing man) and Vince Enright (6-4 forward) return along with Mike Dempsey (6-7 senior center) and Ken Hixon (senior guard).



DAN DEAN/staff photographer

Stevenson's top returnees are Matt Burdiss (far left) and Bob Sluka (far right). The two Spartans, standing 6-foot-4 and 6-foot-6 respectively, should form a formidable front line.

Teachman is also very high on junior point guard Ken George. George will replace the graduated Brian Hickey as the team's floor general. And Teachman says the junior has All-Area potential.

Others expected to contribute are George Sarcevic (6-4 senior) and Will Lund (6-2 junior).

"Our goal is to play on Saturday, March 2, (WLAA league championship game)," Teachman said. "To do this we must stay injury free and cut down on turnovers."

FARMINGTON

The Falcons have struggled in recent years, but there are signs that they may be on the road to respectability.

Coach Richard Roy may floor one of the finest backcourts in the conference. Junior Bruce Kratt and seniors Dwayne Kratt and Bruce Kelsey are quick and strong.

In the front court, Roy has fair size. Senior Matt Lundh is 6-6 and junior Kyle Mutz is 6-4. Add seniors Bill Robinson (6-1), Greg Feenstra (6-1) and Brian Looser (6-2) — all of whom started at one point last year — and you can see that Farmington won't be the push-over it has been of late.

"We have good depth," Roy said, "especially at guard. And we should have fair speed. Our shooting has to get better."

Roy said he figured his team to finish in the middle of the WLAA pack.

Clough eyes better days

Paul Clough is going to slow things down this season for the Livonia Clarenceville boys basketball team.

The third-year coach lost 6-foot-4 forward Tim Spencer, the team's leading scorer and rebounder of the last two years to graduation, and doesn't have much size.

"We're going to be a bit more deliberate on offense," he said. "We'll run wherever possible, but when not possible, which could be often, as small as we are, we want to run a very deliberate half-court offense looking for the best shots."

Although Detroit Country Day, Detroit Lutheran West and Mount Clemens Lutheran North will be tough to beat in the 8-team Metro Conference, Clough says his team can battle Livonian East and Hamtramck for a first division spot.

"Cranbrook is new in the conference this

season and I'm not sure how strong they'll be," he said. "Realistically we could finish anywhere from third to sixth."

IF THE TROJANS are to enjoy success, they must get maximum efforts from senior returnees Jeff Vakratsis, a 6-2 forward; Ron Petrie, a 5-4 guard (assist leader); Tom Colaluca, a 5-10 guard; and Rob McCamant, a 5-9 guard.

New help is expected from 6-4 senior forward Eric Esser, who led the JV team in rebounding; 5-11 senior forward Mike Schwab, who led the JV squad in scoring; and 6-5 junior center Chris Debalski.

"Although we're small, I think we have enough team quickness to put more pressure on the ball," Clough said. "Our main defense will be man-to-man with varying degrees of pressure."

Cage season unfolds Friday

Although there's still one week left in the girls basketball season, the boys campaign kicks off Friday night with a full slate of games.

Among the featured attractions in and around Observerland are North Farmington at Farmington, Livonia Franklin at Plymouth Canton, Farmington at Redford Union and Clarkston at Redford Catholic Central. (See The Week Ahead for other games).

Livonia Bentley, meanwhile, may have the toughest season opener. The Bulldogs travel Friday to meet Dearborn Heights Robichaud, picked by many to win the state Class B championship.

Robichaud, 13-10 a year ago, returns four starters, including All-State candidate Jarvis Walker, a 6-foot-2 forward.

Just 4-17 last season, Clough believes this year's team can win at least 11 or 12 games.

"We don't have any easy games on our schedule, but on the other hand, none of our opponents have a huge talent gap on us as in the past," Clough said. "Our lack of height will be a problem, but if we can compensate for it in quickness and solid defense, we will make our goal and possibly surpass it."

Clarenceville notes: Friday's home opener against Taylor Baptist Park will be "Community Appreciation Night." The JV game starts at 6 p.m. followed by the varsity game at 7:30 p.m.

The Clarenceville public is invited free of charge. The school's majorettes will be performing at halftime along with the pep band.

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swimming rankings

The following are the final girls swim listings compiled by Livonia Churchill swim coach Manse Tian.

200-yard Medley Relay		
Liv. Stevenson	1:50.6	
Farm. Mercy	1:57.4	
N. Farmington	1:58.1	
Ply. Canton	1:59.7	
Wald. John Glenn	1:59.9	
Farmington	2:01.3	
Liv. Bentley	2:05.6	
Red. Thurston	2:08.0	
Liv. Churchill	2:09.3	
200 Freestyle		
Mary Schoenle (LS)	1:55.4	
Sherrie Sudek (LS)	1:57.0	
Michelle McKenzie (LS)	1:57.2	
Jennifer Rowe (NF)	1:57.4	
Sheila Taormina (LS)	1:57.6	
Julie Quinlan (LS)	1:58.8	
Brita Brooks (FM)	1:59.7	
Colleen Carey (NF)	2:00.4	
Stephanie Gow (JG)	2:01.0	
Kelly Taylor (JG)	2:01.3	
200 Individual Medley		
Sherrie Sudek (LS)	2:08.5	
Sheila Taormina (LS)	2:09.0	
Mary Schoenle (LS)	2:09.4	
Cindy Cramer (NF)	2:11.8	
Colleen Carey (NF)	2:12.2	
Kathy Sullivan (LS)	2:15.8	
Roberta Orr (FM)	2:18.1	
Ginnie Johnson (PC)	2:18.5	
Jennifer Rowe (NF)	2:18.9	
Angela Harrison (FM)	2:19.9	
50 Freestyle		
Mary Schoenle (LS)	24.4	
Sheila Taormina (LS)	24.8	
Sherrie Sudek (LS)	25.0	
Tracy Johnson (FM)	25.4	
Marge Cramer (NF)	25.3	
Maureen Kelly (FM)	25.6	
Marilee Konczal (FM)	25.6	
Lynn Massey (PC)	25.6	
Roberta Orr (FM)	25.7	
Kristal Taylor (PS)	25.7	
Diving		
Katie MacIntosh (F)	248.5	
Cathy Stafford (LS)	222.7	
Jamie Koester (JG)	208.6	
Kelly Daily (PC)	195.2	
Mary Beth Manion (FM)	187.5	
Charleen Wilson (FH)	186.5	
Sandy Anger (JG)	186.5	
Cory Silver (PS)	184.0	
Megan McGow (PC)	173.4	
Terrri McTaggart (LC)	173.0	
100 Butterfly		
Sheila Taormina (LS)	58.3	
Ginnie Johnson (PC)	59.8	
Mary Schoenle (LS)	1:01.6	
100 Freestyle		
Colleen Carey (NF)	1:02.0	
Marge Cramer (NF)	1:02.1	
Pat McCarthy (FM)	1:02.2	
Kendra James (PS)	1:03.6	
Laura Shaffer (CS)	1:03.8	
Suzie Knipper (FM)	1:04.3	
Roberta Orr (FM)	1:05.0	
500 Freestyle		
Mary Schoenle (LS)	52.2	
Marge Cramer (NF)	54.7	
Sherrie Sudek (LS)	54.9	
Kristal Taylor (PS)	55.1	
Sheila Taormina (LS)	55.1	
Colleen Carey (LS)	55.2	
Julie Quinlan (LS)	55.4	
Maureen Sudek (FM)	55.7	
Maureen Kelly (FM)	56.0	
Ann Schlapfer (LB)	56.5	
500 Freestyle		
Jennifer Rowe (NF)	5:02.8	
Mary Schoenle (LS)	5:10.1	
Michelle McKenzie (LS)	5:11.7	
Sheila Taormina (LS)	5:16.0	
Sherrie Sudek (LS)	5:17.6	
Brita Brooks (FM)	5:18.3	
Julie Quinlan (LS)	5:21.0	
Kathy Sullivan (LS)	5:22.0	
Marge Cramer (NF)	5:27.2	
Stephanie Gow (JG)	5:28.0	
100 Backstroke		
Sherrie Sudek (LS)	59.98	
Mary Schoenle (LS)	1:02.4	
Suzie Knipper (FM)	1:03.26	
Kathy Sullivan (LS)	1:03.3	
Sheila Taormina (LS)	1:04.6	
Kelly Taylor (JG)	1:05.1	
Kathy Pierog (NF)	1:06.1	
Maureen Sudek (LS)	1:06.3	
Liz Worthen (NF)	1:06.5	
100 Breaststroke		
Mary Schoenle (LS)	1:06.5	
Cindy Cramer (NF)	1:07.7	
Sherrie Sudek (LS)	1:10.6	
Roberta Orr (FM)	1:11.8	
Colleen Carey (NF)	1:13.2	
Leslie Hankins (FM)	1:13.6	
Angela Harrison (FM)	1:13.7	
Carolyn Schwed (LS)	1:13.7	
Sheila Taormina (LS)	1:14.4	
Beth Brownell (FM)	1:14.7	
400 Freestyle Relay		
North Farmington	3:40.56	
Liv. Stevenson	3:41.34	
Ply. Canton	3:47.3	
Farm. Mercy	3:48.1	
John Glenn	3:48.1	
Farm. Harrison	3:56.5	
Ply. Canton	3:57.0	
Liv. Bentley	3:59.6	
Liv. Churchill	4:06.9	
Liv. Franklin	4:20.1	

Spartans No. 2 in state pool

By Brad Emons
staff writer

Finishing second isn't so bad after all, according to Livonia Stevenson girls swim coach Lois McDonald.

Despite being ranked No. 1 throughout the year, the Spartans knew going into last weekend's Class A state meet in East Lansing (MSU's McCaffree Pool) that staying on top would be tough.

As it turned out, Bloomfield Hills Andover repeated as state champs with 159 points. Stevenson was second with 136 and Ann Arbor Pioneer third with 127.

"Andover swam well," said McDonald. "They were inspired when they came in."

"They had kids seeded way down that dropped in (lowered their times). Our times dropped, but theirs dropped more. That's the way it goes."

Andover had built a hefty lead after Friday's preliminaries and it became more and more apparent that the Spartans simply had too much depth.

"We had eight girls, but they've got more people," said the Stevenson coach, who has settled for the bridesmaid role three times now. "But we're very, very satisfied. We cut down our times and our spirits were up. We behaved like a team."

SHERRIE SUDEK, a Stevenson junior, enjoyed her best day as a swimmer.

She won the 200-yard individual

medley with a time of 2:08.31. She also finished fourth in the 100 backstroke with a time of 59.98.

"I knew Sherrie had the talent," said McDonald. "But she needs to believe it. In the backstroke she went under a minute for the first time, which was nice."

Sudek joins elite company with former Stevenson state champions Carol Eggers, Linda Hein and Mary Schoenle.

A senior, Schoenle was denied in her quest to repeat a state title, but did pick up a pair of second-place finishes.

In the 100 breaststroke, Andover sophomore Amy Bush overhauled Schoenle for first in 1:06.22. The Spartan standout, who won the event last year, was clocked in 1:06.5. Schoenle was also second to Lansing Everett's

Dyne Burrell in the 100 freestyle with a time of 52.2.

Taormina, meanwhile, was touched out for first place by one-hundredth of a second in the 100 butterfly by Pioneer's Anita Grierson. The respective times were 58.29 and 58.30. The finish had to be reviewed by a panel of meet judges.

"Sheila took it well," said McDonald. "She didn't let it bother her."

ANOTHER OUTSTANDING performance was turned in by freshman Michele McKenzie, who finished sixth in the 200 freestyle (1:57.25) and seventh in the 500 freestyle (5:11.7).

Also for Stevenson, Kathleen Sullivan garnered 10th in the 100 backstroke and Cathy Stafford finished 11th in diving.

Raiders take 6th, Johnson 7th in butterfly

No other North Farmington swim team, boys or girls, has done what the Raiders' 1984 girls swim team did last Saturday.

The Raiders placed sixth at the state Class A swim meet at MSU's McCaffree Pool. It was the highest state finish in Raider swim history.

"We felt we'd be in the top 10 going in," said North coach Pat Duthie. "We wanted to improve on our (ninth place) finish of last year."

Sophomore Jennifer Rowe led the charge by placing in two events. In the 500-yard freestyle, her time of 5:02.85 was third best and also qualifies for All-American honors.

Rowe also set a North record in the 200 freestyle with a 1:57.45, which

placed her No. 7 in the state.

"Jennifer gave us phenomenal efforts in both events," Duthie said. "The farther she has to swim, the faster she gets."

FRESHMAN Cindy Cramer also placed in two events. She was fourth in the state in the 100 breaststroke (1:07.75) and sixth in the 200 individual medley (2:11.76). Her breaststroke time qualifies for All-American consideration.

She also took part in North's sixth place 400 free relay. She joined Marge Cramer, Jill McInelly and Colleen Carey on a 3:40.56.

Carey, a senior, placed fifth in the 100 free (54.09) and ninth in the 200 IM

2:12.20.

"Colleen has more character than any athlete I've ever worked with," Duthie said.

Sophomore Marge Cramer took 10th in the 100 free (54.70).

North Farmington, winner of 12 Northwest Suburban League titles in the past 14 years, will join Livonia Stevenson, Plymouth Salem, Plymouth Canton and the rest of the swim-tough Western Lakes Activities Association next year.

OTHER AREA FINISHERS: Farmington's Katie MacIntosh placed ninth

—Chris McCosky



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CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN

ORDINANCE NO. 84-7

An ordinance to amend ordinance No. 83-2, which established the Downtown Development Authority in the City of Plymouth, Michigan pursuant to Act 197, Public Acts of Michigan, 1975.

THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS:

Section 1. Amendment to ordinance No. 83-2 as follows:

Section 5. Description of Downtown District

Add Section 5.1 The Downtown District, as set forth in Exhibit A, also known as Map Number 1 - Boundary Map - Downtown Development Authority District, is hereby amended by the addition of the following properties:

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|---------|------------------|
| Lot 759 | 743 Wing |
| Lot 760 | 725 and 727 Wing |

Section 2. This ordinance shall become operative and effective on the 7th day of December, A.D., 1984.

Made, passed and adopted by the City Commission of the City of Plymouth, Michigan, this 3rd day of December, A.D., 1984

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN

At a regular meeting of the City Commission to be held in the Commission Chambers of City Hall, 201 S. Main Street, on Monday, December 17th, 1984 at 7:30 p.m., a Public Hearing will be held to consider the Commercial Facilities Exemption Application filed by:

Dr. Sidney Disbrow
1181 S. Main Street

for proposed expansion of present professional office use as a Chiropractic Clinic at 1181 S. Main Street, located in Commercial Redevelopment District III. (A complete legal description of the property is available in the City Clerk's office.) This hearing is to be held in compliance with Act 255, P.A. 1978, the Commercial Redevelopment Districts Act. All interested parties are invited to attend this meeting. All comments and suggestions from those citizens participating will be considered by the City Commission prior to rendering its decision.

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CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN

ORDINANCE NO. 84-8

An ordinance to amend ordinance No. 83-5, which ordinance did adopt and approve a development plan and a tax increment financing plan for the Plymouth Downtown Development Area No. 1, pursuant to the provisions of Act 197, Public Acts of Michigan, 1975.

THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS:

Section 1. Amendment to ordinance No. 83-5 as follows:

Section 1. Definitions

"Development area" shall mean the area described in the development plan and Exhibit A, also known as Map Number 1 - Boundary Map - Downtown Development Authority District, with the addition of those properties added to the District and described in Section 3 below.

Section 3. Boundaries of Development Area

The boundaries of Development Area No. 1 as set forth in the Development Plan, with the addition of those properties listed below and referenced to Exhibit A, Map Number 1 - Boundary Map - Downtown Development Authority District:

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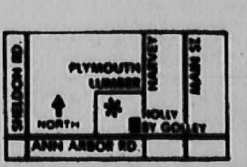
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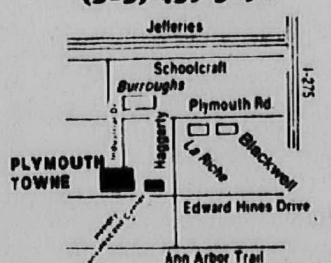
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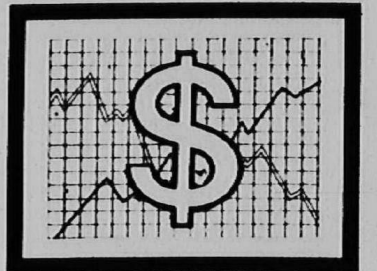
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Anticipate changes before investing in tax shelters

By Sid Mittra
and Dean Calvert
special writers

Part IV

The Tax Reform act of 1984 is so complicated that it takes a good lawyer and an accountant to untangle the law. It especially affects real estate investment by establishing a set of complex rules.

What's even more annoying is the fact that there is no guarantee that the rules will stay the same forever. In fact, there is a strong likelihood of continued change.

A question often asked by a prospective investor is: "How can I make a rational decision when any deal I go into eventually may be taxed under differ-

ent rates and laws then that exist today?"

WHILE THE possibility of such an outcome does exist, in its infinite wisdom the Congress "generally" makes the new law effective at some future date. In technical jargon, the old laws are "grandfathered," or left untouched.

So here is a sound advice: If you intend to invest in property — whether it is an outright purchase or through a partnership interest — get a competent financial planner, a tax attorney, or a CPA who is well versed in real estate investment and is prepared to do a lot of "what if" planning for you.

THE NEW TAX law clearly makes January through April the best months



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of the year to do your investing. For instance, aggressive syndicators used to take big deductions for interest that had accrued but that would not actually be paid until the underlying mortgage was paid off.

They would also charge investors heavy fees for future costs to the partnership. Investors did not object, of course, because they could write off all the expenses — many of them in the

first year of the investment.

The new tax bill changes the treatment of "accrued interest" and the loading of front-end fees by disallowing deductions before the out-of-pocket expenses are actually paid.

This required matching of expenses deducted to payments made reduces the first-year tax shelter, and it especially reduces the attraction of year-end shelter deals, where accrued ex-

penses have been charged to inflate the last minute write-off.

Now, the best real estate investments would be made early in the year to take advantage of a full-year's expenses.

THE NEW TAX LAW requires that any partnership offering a loss-vs.-investment ratio greater than 2-1 for any of the first five years must be registered with the IRS.

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Sid Mittra is president of Coordinated Financial Planning Inc. in Troy and a professor of economics and management at Oakland University, Rochester.

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"Opportunity and Investment in Residential Real Estate" seminar begins at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 6, in Novi. For more information, call 540-8611. The seminar is sponsored by the Residential Property Management Corp.

PR FIRM EXPANDS

JGP Public Relations Inc. of Livonia has changed its name to JGP Marketing Group International and moved to 34935 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia. The telephone number is 525-1110.

INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

The Independent Accountants Association of Michigan holiday party begins at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8, at Bobby's Country House in Livonia. For more information, call Gerald R. Johnson, 882-3560.

INCOME TAX PRACTITIONERS

"Basis for Depreciation and Conversion" will be the topic at the 6:30 p.m. dinner meeting Thursday, Dec. 10, of the National Association of Income Tax Practitioners in Plymouth. The group will meet at the Mayflower Hotel, 827 W. Ann Arbor Trail. For more information, call Delores Rankin at 534-3789.

AUTO COMPUTER GRAPHICS

An Auto Computer Graphics conference and exposition runs 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday, Dec. 11-13, in Dearborn. For more information, call 832-5400. The conference and exposition is sponsored by the Engineering Society of Detroit.

REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS

American Institute of Real Estate Appraisers meets for lunch Wednesday, Dec. 12, in Novi. For information, call 573-6987.

TAX PANIC SEMINAR

A "Tax Panic Time" seminar will begin at 8:30 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 13, in Southfield. The seminar is sponsored by Equitable Financial Services. The seminar fee is \$50. For more information, call Susan Loren at 644-9200.

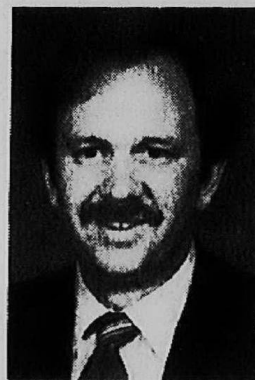
business people

Robert F. Craver of Livonia has been named Realtor of the Year for 1984 by the Western Wayne-Oakland County Board of Realtors. Craver is broker/owner of RE/MAX Foremost Inc. of Livonia and incoming president of WWOBCB and the METRL MLS, its multi-listing service.

George M. Gurganian of Livonia has been named district manager of the Redford-Detroit office for the National Life & Accident Insurance Co. He has been with the company for 27 years and has served as field supervisor, accountant executive and manager of the Cleveland and Flint, Mich., offices.

John E. Matthews of Redford has been elected to a second term as vice president for membership of the American Society of Plumbing Engineers. Matthews is a mechanical staff consultant with Ellis, Naeyaert, Genheimer Associates Inc. He holds a degree in engineering from the University of Michigan.

John C. Zarzecki, a materials specialist with Soil and Materials Engineers Inc. of Livonia, has been certified a Level III Technician in asphalt, concrete and soils testing by the National Institute for Certification in Engineering Technologies. Zarzecki is the only person to have reached the status of Level III Technician in Michigan since the examination process started in 1981.



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The following area residents passer their Certified Public Accountant examinations: Carol M. Fryling of Canton, Martha Pauline Gorton of Canton, Brian Kevin Hall of Wayne, Jeffrey Allan Hall of Livonia, Nancy Katherine Heath of Canton, Jan Christian Jepson of Plymouth, Roger G. Karnow of Canton, James Edward Kollinski of Redford Township, Jeffrey Richard Lilley of Canton, David Francis Murphy of Plymouth, Gary Allan Recinella of Livonia, Mark E. Schneider of Livonia, Michael S. Smykowski of Livonia, Michael Robert Tomes of Westland and JoAnn VanHoose of Canton.

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Entertainment

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Campus dining

Gourmet meals attract public to college restaurants

By Ethel Simmons
staff writer

FLAMING DISHES cooked table-side or lavish buffets with dozens upon dozens of dishes, not to mention ice-sculpture centerpieces, sound like what you'd find in an expensive restaurant.

But these special ways with food may be as close as your local college campus. What's more, the price is likely to be just right, covering only the cost of the food itself.

To enjoy informal dining at prices that bring you back change from a \$5 or \$10 bill, you can have lunch at Le Gastronomique at Schoolcraft College in Livonia or at the Ridgewood Cafe at Oakland Community College's Orchard Ridge Campus in Farmington Hills.

Both colleges have culinary arts departments, with programs that offer students a chance to cook and to wait on customers, too. Many area high schools also have dining rooms, where their student chefs serve meals they prepare from your menu order.

BOTH THE Schoolcraft and OCC restaurants are open four days a week, Mondays-Thursdays. Each campus has a buffet that draws a big crowd. Le Gastronomique is open from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays-Wednesdays for a la carte and tableside service, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Thursdays for the buffet at \$5.95. Ridgewood Cafe hours are 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays, with the buffet served Tuesdays or Thursdays about twice a month, on scheduled dates, at \$4.50.

Most of the customers at the two campus restaurants are students or faculty, but both welcome anyone. At Schoolcraft, an insurance building on the corner, as well as Hawthorne Center and Northville Hospital nearby, bring out many diners.

table talk

On a recent Monday, always the lightest day, La Gastronomique was uncrowded. The usual, good service and attention were enhanced in the unhurried atmosphere.

Le Gastronomique, with its own kitchen, is in the Waterman Campus Center, next to the cafeteria, which is served from its own kitchen. The restaurant is in a big, airy (although windowless) room and is comfortable and uncluttered. Walls are decorated with artwork, tables dressed with white tablecloths and flowers.

You almost do a double take when you see the menu. These students tackle some pretty fancy dishes. There are a number of daily specials, which give the cooks ample opportunity to turn out something different with regularity.

BOTH BROILED Choice Sirloin Maitre D' Le Gastronomique and Tenderloin a la Maison are offered with a different special method of preparation each day. The fresh catch varies for Seafood du Jour, and an Omelette du Jour is available.

Chicken Teriyaki is the most popular entree on the menu, followed by whatever is being offered for tableside cooking that day.

Soups, sandwiches, salads and desserts from a pastry cart also are served daily.

That Monday, the tableside special was tournedo Madagascar — tenderloin sauteed, then seasoned with sherry, shallots and green peppercorn, and finished with cognac and butter.

Waiter Larry Stone, who is in his second year of the two-year culinary arts program, prepared the meat. He

worked with two spoons to add the right seasonings before flaming the dish.

CHEF KEVIN Gawronski, who manages the "front of the house," dining room operation, watched Stone light a match to the sherry.

"Your flames higher than mine," he said approvingly. Earlier, Gawronski had demonstrated the art of tableside cooking for another waiter, who watched while other diners were served.

All the students take turns working in the restaurant as host or hostess, with the tableside cart, as bus people and as waiters and waitresses.

"We try to emphasize proper dining room procedure and proper service," Gawronski said. Tableside manner is important.

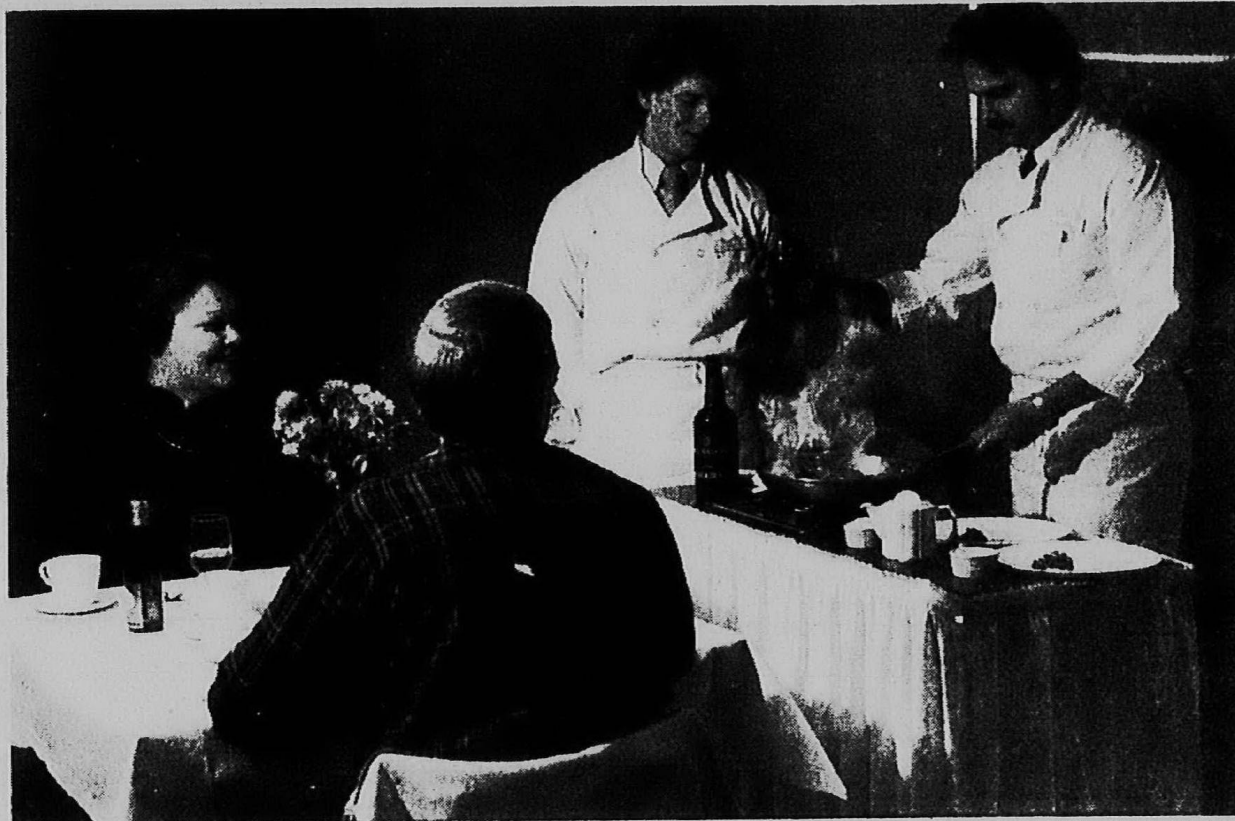
"They're not used to standing tableside and giving the day's specials." Reciting these dishes, with all their ingredients and methods of preparation, can be complex.

Very tricky is working with only spoons and forks, never tongs, to prepare and serve the tableside specials.

"The spoons become an extension of your hand for service," Gawronski said, as Stone lifted the tournedo Madagascar from pan to plates.

Schoolcraft's culinary arts department is under the direction of Bob Breithaupt, master chef and assistant dean of culinary arts. Gawronski manages the dining room, while his counterpart in the kitchen is Executive Chef James Van Vuren.

THE CULINARY arts program began in September 1966, and the restaurant



ART EMANUELE/staff photographer

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Sorenson of Garden City watch, along with culinary arts student Joe Schaffer of Livonia, as Chef Kevin Gawronski of West Bloomfield demonstrates how to flame

Tournedo Madagascar, the day's special tenderloin dish the Sorensons ordered at Le Gastronomique.

opened in September 1982.

Le Gastronomique has been successful ever since it first opened. There's usually an hour wait for the Thursday buffet.

"It's very popular," Breithaupt said of the restaurant operation. "It's been a great boost as far as the education part of the program is concerned."

Schoolcraft's culinary arts program "is known as the best in the midwestern United States," Breithaupt said. Students come from at home and away.

"We have students from France, Germany and England," he said.

The typical meal at Le Gastronomique ranges from \$2.95 to \$6. Tips are accepted, and all tips are tax-deductible because they go into a culinary scholarship fund.

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upcoming things to do

2-ACT COMEDY

Tom Chapman and Mary Zager, both of Redford, star in the Henry Ford Community College production of the two-act comedy, "Enter Laughing," at 8 p.m. Friday-Sunday, Dec. 7-9, and Friday-Saturday, Dec. 14-15, in Arday Auditorium of the MacKenzie Fine Arts Center on campus in Dearborn. Chapman portrays Dave Kolowitz, a stage-struck youth from the Bronx who wants to become an actor. Zager is cast as his ever-loyal girlfriend, Wanda, who lends David money to pursue his dream. Tickets at \$3 for general admission, \$2 for students and senior citizens, may be purchased at the door.

IN 'REYNARD'

Benedictine High School alumnus James Gough of Redford Township plays the role of Epinard the Hedgehog in the Theatre of the Young holiday stage offering, "Reynard the Fox," which continues at 2:30 and 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8, and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, at Eastern Michigan University in Ypsilanti. Tickets are available by calling the theater box office in the Quirk Building on campus or by calling 487-1221.

POLISH CAROLS

The Polonaise Chorale, directed by Bronislaw Siarkowski, will sing Polish Christmas carols at 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 16, at the Madonna College Activities Center on campus at 35500 Schoolcraft, Livonia. Admission is free, donations will be accepted. For

more information, call 464-7996 or 939-3407.

BIG BAND

The Ambassadors, a 20-piece big band, plays for dancing from 7-10:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, at the Ballroom of the Plymouth Hilton. Admission is \$6 per person. A cash bar will be available.

STRATFORD STAR

Nicholas Pennell, a star at the Stratford Shakespearean Festival in Canada, will perform his critically acclaimed "A Variable Passion" at 8:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 10, at the Detroit Institute of Arts. "A Variable Passion" was first performed at Stratford in the summer of 1982. Subsequently, Pennell has taken his performance of "A Variable Passion" across Canada and the United States. Tickets are \$10 or \$5 for older persons and students. For ticket information, call 832-2730.

MUSICIANS' PARTY

The annual area Musicians' Christmas Party will be held at 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, at Santa Hall, 1995 Cass Lake Road, Keego Harbor. Among those performing will be Bobby Lewis, Shotgun Willie, Michael Irish, Michael and David Eversole, Charlie Springer, Theresa Smith, Scott Thompson, Shar Archambeau, the Victims, Nick Beat, Rory Dewey and the Hits. All proceeds will benefit Sandy Miller and her family; Miller is a single mother of three with neurological difficulties. Admission is \$5.

'42ND STREET'

The current production of the musical "42nd Street," starring Barry Nelson and Dolores Gray, has been held over through Saturday, Dec. 15, at the Masonic Temple Theatre in Detroit. The performance schedule for the new week is 8 p.m. Monday-Saturday, Dec. 10-15; 1 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 12, and 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 15. Tickets are on sale at the Masonic box office, 832-2232, and all Ticket World outlets.

MEDIEVAL FEAST

The Fraternal Feast of United Irishmen will present its annual Medieval Irish Christmas Feast to aid St. Patrick's Senior Center at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 11, in the Great Hall of the Detroit Yacht Club, at the far end of Belle Isle. Tickets, at \$45 per person, include an open bar, the feast itself and evening of continuous entertainment. For reservations, call 562-5610.

FINALISTS VIE

Finalists in the Maccabees "Quest for Excellence" competition will vie for \$10,000 in scholarship money during a live radio broadcast at 8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 17, in Orchestra Hall, Detroit. Among finalists are Andrea East of Bloomfield Hills, flute; Mark Estes of Livonia, flute; Susan Kohler of Bloomfield Hills, clarinet; Adele Crawford of Birmingham, soprano; Laura Jean Martin of Livonia, violin; Andrew Adelson of Franklin, oboe; Kurt Kunz of Troy, piano, and Robert

Adelson of Franklin, clarinet. General admission tickets to the competition are \$3, with seating at 7:30 p.m.

NECTARINE BALLROOM

The J.C. Heard Orchestra plays for big band dancing at 9 p.m. every Friday at the Nectarine Ballroom in Ann Arbor. Contemporary dance music is played between band sets. Cover charge is \$5. For further information, call 662-8008.

MUPPET SHOW

Jim Henson's Muppets make their stage debut in the "Muppet Show on Tour" coming Wednesday-Sunday, Dec. 26-30, to Cobo Hall in downtown Detroit. A life-size extension of the syndicated TV series, "Muppet Show on Tour," will showcase Kermit, Miss Piggy, Gonzo, Fozzie Bear, and Dr. Teeth and the Electric Mayhem Band. The show is aimed for people 6 and older. Tickets are \$8.50 and \$6.50, with children 14 and younger receiving \$2 off all shows. Tickets are available at the Joe Louis Arena box office and all Ticket World outlets. To charge tickets or for more information, call 567-6000.

CASTING CALL

Auditions for "The Mousetrap" by Agatha Christie will be held at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 12, at the Club in the Hyatt Regency Dearborn at Fairlane Town Center. Parts are available for five males and three females. No appointment is necessary.



Redford residents Tom Chapman and Mary Zager are costars of "Enter Laughing," a comedy opening Friday, Dec. 7, at Henry Ford Community College in Dearborn.

YOUNG ARTISTS

Auditions for Oakway Symphony Orchestra's annual Young Artists Competition will be held Jan. 26-27 at Madonna College in Livonia. Prize money is being provided by a grant from the Michigan Foundation for the

Arts. Winners will appear as soloists with the Oakway Symphony on Feb. 24. To obtain rules of competition and application forms, write to Oakway Symphony, 18549 Levan Road, Livonia 48152, or call 471-7049.

Students rotate in dining room

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OAKLAND COMMUNITY College's Ridgewood Cafe is on the third floor of J Building on a striking contemporary campus. Both the cafeteria dining room and the restaurant, in high-ceilinged, open-windowed rooms, are served by the same kitchen.

The Ridgewood Cafe's menu offers a choice of five entrees. On a recent day, it was Swiss steak, stuffed zucchini, chicken paprikas, New Zealand roughie with pecan butter, and a pizza omelette. A soup of the day, chili, two vegetables (spatzles and au gratin potatoes that day) are available a la carte.

Sandwiches, grilled sandwiches and salads are other selections, in addition to two daily specials. That afternoon, there was a veggie sandwich, also called an Italian veggie submarine, and a maurice salad bowl. The daily menu concluded with an invitation to make a selection from the pastry cart.

The buffet is the big attraction at the Ridgewood Cafe, however.

"We served 325-350 on buffet days. Other days, we serve 200 in the cafeteria and 125 in the dining room," Hospitality Department chairman Robert B. Zemke said.

The next buffet date is Thursday, Dec. 13. Other buffet dates (subject to change) are Jan. 22, Feb. 9, March 2, March 21 and April 9.

WHILE MOST of the restaurant's customers are students and staff, anyone is welcome. The gate in the faculty parking lot is left up from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on days the Ridgewood Cafe is open.

The Culinary Arts Program operates with 10 full-time instructors, seven of

whom are chefs, said Zemke, a registered dietitian. There's no head chef.

"All chefs are equal," he said. "We have a very young, very qualified staff."

OCC's hospitality program (hotel, food management), which started in 1965, is one of the oldest in the state. The culinary arts department started in 1978 "is the largest program in the state of Michigan, other than Michigan State. One hundred seventy students are in whites every day."

Last year at the Michigan Restaurant Association's annual food show, OCC won the Augie award for the Best in College Division and the Best of Show among three divisions for high schools, colleges and apprentices.

The Ridgewood Cafe opened five years ago. Culinary arts students rotate to work in the kitchen and in the restaurant and busing the cafeteria dining room.

ON BUFFET days, the Ridgewood Cafe is used exclusively for the elaborate buffet setup. Restaurant customers select from a multitude of salads and hot dishes. A table where galantines and pates are served is adorned with ice sculpture and other carvings made of food.

A dessert table tantalizes with French pastries, tortes, tarts and cakes. Many students in their tall chef hats are ready to serve the hot dishes, the pates and desserts. Bread and rolls are provided by the bake shop. Buffet tables also include displays of cake decorating and other creations such as bread dough sculpture.

Diners carry their trays from the buffet into the cafeteria to eat at tables there.

Other schools also offer meals to public

Following is a list of restaurants open to the public for breakfast and/or lunch through food service programs at area high schools, special education centers and vocational/technical centers. (Call ahead to make sure restaurant is not on a holiday schedule.)

PATRIOT INN, Franklin High School, Livonia. Phone 425-1900. Open to the public from 11 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Tuesdays-Fridays. Sit-down menu, also soup bar. Daily specials. Prices range \$1-\$2.25. Monthly ethnic buffet.

CALORIE GALLERY, Northwest Wayne Skill Center, Livonia. Phone 422-0080. Open to the public from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesdays-Fridays. Standard menu, including hamburgers and omelettes; hot special includes soup, main dish or sandwich and dessert. Prices range from about \$1.55 for Skillsburger Deluxe to \$1.35-\$1.75 for hot special.

MARQUETTE ROOM, William D. Ford Vocational/Technical Center, Westland. Phone 595-2195. Open to the public from 11:40 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Tuesdays-Fridays. Luncheon special daily such as chicken ala kiev, pilaf-stuffed tomato, tournados of beef, broiled fish. Prices range from \$2.25-\$3.95. Friday specials more expensive;

prime rib or beef. Also ala carte items. Christmas buffet is an International Buffet.

CLIPBOARD restaurant, Southeast Oakland Vocational Education Center (SEOVEC), Royal Oak. Phone 280-0600. Open to the public from 11:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. Tuesdays-Thursdays; 11:15 a.m. to 1 p.m. Fridays for buffet. Regular menu and special of day Tuesdays-Thursdays. Prices from \$1.85 to \$3.95. Buffet with two meats, hot vegetable, 25 salads, desserts and beverages. For ribs and fish every other Friday, priced at \$4.50 for seniors, \$4.90 for others; 25 cents less on alternate Fridays.

BLUE JAY CAFE, Southfield High School, Southfield. Phone 423-8547. Open to the public from 11 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Tuesdays-Fridays. Salad buffet, Tuesdays; six hot entrees on changing weekly menu, Wednesdays-Fridays. Prices range \$1.50-\$1.95 for entrees.

GOLDEN TERRACE restaurant, Athens High School, Troy. Phone 524-1200. Open to the public from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesdays-Fridays. Homemade soups, sandwiches, omelettes, buffet from cold bar and hot bar. Hot dish selections will begin later in the school term. Prices: Very inexpensive.

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'Christmas Carol' is filled with holiday spirit

Performances of the Meadow Brook Theatre production of Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol" continues through Sunday, Dec. 23, on the Oakland University campus near Rochester. For ticket information, call the box office at 377-3300.

By Cathie Breidenbach
special writer

Like egg nog and mistletoe, Meadow Brook Theatre's re-creation of the metamorphosis of Ebenezer Scrooge from cantankerous skinflint to generous old darling has settled in as a welcome holiday tradition.

This is the third successful season for Meadow Brook's version of Charles Dickens' classic. "A Christmas Carol" is a gem of a production guaranteed to

send everyone in the audience home with an ample dose of Christmas spirit.

Booth Coleman returns to Meadow Brook to play his lovable version of Ebenezer Scrooge. Coleman's Ebenezer has a thin veneer of misanthropic miserliness that hides a lovable old codger underneath. It only takes one ghostly visitation to make Ebenezer have second thoughts about his nasty ways. He capitulates to Christmas early on, and the later ghosts serve to cement his plans "to keep Christmas all year."

Charles Nolte, who adapted the play from the original story, directs the production with flair. He parades colorful characters from Dickens' London across the stage. The effervescent Mr. and Mrs. Fizzigig, played by Phillip Locker and Jayne Houdyshell, are a



Cathie Breidenbach

delight. The good Bob Cratchit played by Thom Haneline, his loyal wife (Jenie Lynn Dahmann) and their cherubic children come to life as Dickens' idealization of the stalwart poor. Idealization or not, when Tiny Tim (J. Luke Huber) says "God bless us, every one," the words still pull at the heart.

OTHER SCRUFFY types from Dickens' London of the 1830s include the Charwoman (Bethany Carpenter), the

Laundress (Jayne Houdyshell) and Old Joe (Steven Anders), a trio of street folk to be remembered.

Meadow Brook's staging is masterful. The street outside Scrooge's window teems with carefully choreographed life as Londoners prepare for Christmas. In Act Two, the Ghost of Christmas Future introduces Scrooge to the sneering undertaker and his entourage of black-clad vultures. They

lurk behind umbrellas and undulate over the stage with actions so cleverly planned they seem more a dance than mere stage movement.

Unabashed spectacle is part of the joy in Nolte's re-creation of Dickens' masterpiece. Jacob Marley (William Le Massena) arises through a trap door in a smokey haze and disappears with a thunderous blast.

Meadow Brook's "Christmas Carol" delights in sound effects. One of the best comic moments in the play comes when Ebenezer counts his money. His lightning fingers rustle through a fat pile of bills so noisily that even ushers in the lobby hear the wordless testament to his greed.

Joseph Reed as the Ghost of Christmas Present looks like Henry the Eighth incarnate, a robust, bearded

lover of the good life who "Ho, ho, ho" better than Santa and salivates enthusiastically with words when he describes good things to eat.

THE GHOST of Christmas Future is a spectacle in himself. He's an awesome specter of doom who towers nine feet tall.

Other apt players include Judy Ammar as Belle, the love of Scrooge's youth; Andrew Barnicle as his forgiving nephew, Fred; Paul Hopper, who plays Ebenezer as a young man; and Wayne David Parker, who doubles on several small roles.

Part of the pleasure in the set designed by Barry Griffith is watching how easily the impressive two-story buildings can be rotated onstage and how scene changes are gracefully integrated into the action.

Thespians give lusty version of 'Habeus Corpus'

Performances of the Farmington Players production of "Habeus Corpus" by Alan Bennett continue at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 6; 8:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Dec. 7-8, and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, at the Farmington Players Barn Theatre in Farmington Hills. For ticket information call the box office at 626-5061.

By Barbara Michals
special writer

"Habeus Corpus" is a wonderful farce, a rollicking romp of mistaken identities, mixed-up assignments and fallen trousers. The current production by the Farmington Players is performed with consummate comic skill.



Barbara Michals

sees lust as a healthy affirmation of life amidst man's inevitable march to the grave, and the Wicksteeds are a middle class British family brimming with unrequited lust.

Dr. Arthur Wicksteed (Jim Snideman) complains of the tedium of seeing his patients' white flabby flesh all day, but his interest in the human body is renewed when young Felecity Rumpers (Chris Taylor) enters his life. While the doctor lusts after Felecity, so does his young son Dennis

(John Wilshusen), a pimply faced hypochondriac. MURIEL WICKSTEED (Emily McSweeney), fed

up with her husband's inattentiveness, yearns for her old sweetheart, Sir Percy Shorter (R.J. Stewart). He, in turn, pursues Constance (Linda Finner), Arthur's spinster sister, who is also chased by lecherous Canon Throbbing (Ray Gallant).

To futher spice things up, there's a mail-order pair of falsies and a fitter

from the manufacturer sent to check them out. A sharp-tongued housekeeper and a suicidal patient also wander in and out.

Director Sharlan Douglas does a great job with characterization, pacing and comic delivery. In addition, the entire cast

handles the British accents admirably.

Even without the falsies, Finner is a stand-out amid the many fine per-

formers. Her flat-chested spinster, reminiscent of a Ruth Buzzi character, receives no respect and is constantly reminded of

her plight. Finner uses facial expressions and body English to full advantage, and the results are hilarious.

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book antics and special effects take the place of daring and bravado; even co-star Lois Chiles is the iciest, most impersonal of all Bond heroines. Roger Moore, who's still the best Bond, can't save this one. Richard Kiel (Jaws from the far superior "Spy Who Loved Me"), Corinne Clery and Bond standbys Bernard Lee and Lois Maxwell also co-star.

Rating: \$2.

"Cleopatra" (1963), in two parts at 1 p.m. Monday and Tuesday on Ch.

50. Originally 243 minutes. TV time slot: 240 minutes.

You'll read only one critic in this space — most of the time. However, John Simon's observations on the once-much-heralded "Cleopatra" are so penetrating that they justify forgoing the rule. Wrote he, "Whatever was interesting about it clearly ended up somewhere else: on the cutting room floor, in various hotel rooms, in the newspaper columns. . . . It lacks not only the intelligent spectacle of 'Lawrence of Arabia' but the spectacular unintelli-

"Tora! Tora! Tora!" (1970), 8 p.m. Friday on Ch. 50. Originally 143 minutes. TV time slot: 180 minutes.

Depending perhaps upon your age, Friday, Dec. 7, brings to mind either the anniversary of the sneak attack on Pearl Harbor by the Japanese or the sneak attack on John Lennon. "Tora! Tora! Tora!" is about the former, and a rousing, suspenseful epic it is. Even though it chronicles events with foregone conclusions, it maintains a high level of suspense, which is a credit to its committee of three screenwriters and four directors. Jason Robards, Martin Balsam, E.G. Marshall, Joseph Cotton and James Whitmore star.

Rating: \$3.10.

WHAT'S IT WORTH? A ratings guide to the movies

Bad	\$1
Fair	\$2
Good	\$3
Excellent	\$4

"Moonraker" (1979), 9 p.m. Sunday on Ch. 7. Originally 126 minutes. TV time slot: 165 minutes.

"Moonraker," the most high-tech oriented, costliest film in the James Bond series, is by no small coincidence the least interesting of all 007 films. Comic

Avon Players does good job despite difficult play

Performances of the Avon Players production of Milan Stitt's "The Runner Stumbles" continue at 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Dec. 7-8, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, and 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Dec. 14-15, at the Avon Players Playhouse in Avon Township. For ticket information, call 656-1130.

By Gay Ziegler
special writer

Sometimes written words are more effective than spoken ones.

So it must have been when the Avon Players selected "The Runner Stumbles" for production. True, the playwright, Milan Stitt, is a Michigander, and the play, which is based on an actual murder trial, does take place in our state, but the message just doesn't translate.

For one thing, it is hard to convey rigid turn-of-the-century Catholicism to the young who have attended guitar masses and to those outside the fold.

For another, Stitt's wooden dialogue fails to convey the poignant tension that existed between the "R.C.s," as they were called, and the crude-living townspeople of Solon, Mich. There is no reality, no real or lasting spark of humanity for anyone to recognize or identify with.

THE BOORISH, narrow-minded, physically dominated women and their wife-beating husbands, who treat Catholics with disdain and mistrust, are reprehensible. But so, it seems, is a religion that

sees tears as an "affront to God" and says that "thinking is as big a sin as doing."

Both of these elements existed and may still, but Stitt's paperboard characters get no sympathy from us because their passion is empty and their words diffused.

Looking beyond this ponderous work with its stilted dialogue, one can nonetheless appreciate the theater company. Avon seldom embarrasses itself. The cast is small — nine members, all of whom manage to transcend their roles.

As the accused priest, Jeff Upchurch gives us some feeling for the agony of doubt. Here we have a totally committed man of God who suffers the stirrings of love.

The object of his repressed desire is Sister Rita, rendered tenderly by Karen Elliott. She is a more sympathetic character because she wants the church to be human. She sees the absurdity of relegating women in the sisterhood to cloistered convents. Elliott makes a statement for equality.

DAWN SALSWEDEL, as a love-struck, pouty, naughty gossipmonger, does a nice little transition, in a flashback, from college student to grade-school girl. She captures the essence of what probably was true as opposed to what church authorities wanted

reality to be, back then.

Sheila Lyle, as the convert to Catholicism, proves what many have always thought: The "best" Catholic is the converted one. The fierceness of her newfound religion surpasses that of the priest. Lyle's silent brooding says a lot — and her one grand moment in the spotlight is memorable.

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"It's a Wonderful Life" (1947), 11:25 p.m. Wednesday on Ch. 9. Originally 129 minutes. TV time slot: last program on schedule.

Few movies about Christmas cap-

ture the Christmas spirit as beautifully as "It's a Wonderful Life," which isn't ostensibly about Christmas at all. It is, in fact, a celebration of life, which may be what we needed so soon after the end of World War II. This film has deeply pessimistic moments but, ultimately, it's one of the most brightly optimistic films of the post-war era. Frank Capra directs; James Stewart, Lionel Barrymore, Thomas Mitchell, Henry Travers and a radiant Donna Reed star. Rating: \$3.50.

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SUN., DEC. 9

9-11PM NBC (8 Central/Mountain)

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9-11:43PM ABC (8 Central/Mountain)

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MOONRAKER James Bond sets out to put a rein on Hugo Drax.

MON., DEC. 10

9-11PM NBC (8 Central/Mountain)

THE SUN ALSO RISES Conclusion



TUES., DEC. 11

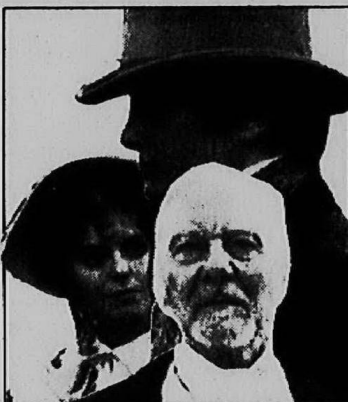
9-11PM CBS (8 Central/Mountain)

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century Paris, has been translated to the screen several times. (This Week's Pop History Poser: Who played in the 1936 version opposite Robert Taylor? Answer below.)

THUR., DEC. 13

8-10PM ABC (7 Central/Mountain)



JACLYN SMITH
ART CARNEY

THE NIGHT THEY SAVED CHRISTMAS A fantasy adventure about a mom and her three kids who find themselves on a wondrous journey to the North Pole, where they alone can save Santa Claus and his massive toy factory from destruction.

SUN., DEC. 16

9-11:48PM ABC (8 Central/Mountain)

THE STING



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new generation to ragtime composer Scott Joplin, whose "The Entertainer" became a smash as the film's theme. Set in Chicago in the 1930's, it also brought into vogue a phrase that the FBI seems to have appropriated.

MON., DEC. 17

8-10PM CBS (7 Central/Mountain)

A CHRISTMAS CAROL



GEORGE C. SCOTT
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9-11PM NBC (8 Central/Mountain)

MELISSA GILBERT
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BLESS ALL THE DEAR CHILDREN The joy of the Christmas season is replaced by worry when Laura's infant daughter is kidnapped by a deranged woman.

specials

FRI., DEC. 7

8-8:30PM ABC (7 Central/Mountain)
THE CABBAGE PATCH KIDS FIRST CHRISTMAS

8-9PM NBC (7 Central/Mountain)
DEAN MARTIN CELEBRITY ROAST: MICHAEL LANDON



8-9PM CBS (7 Central/Mountain)
JOHNNY CASH: Christmas on the Road

SAT., DEC. 8

8-9PM ABC (7 Central/Mountain)
THE BEST CHRISTMAS PAGEANT EVER Loretta Swit is a harried housewife struggling valiantly to keep the six meanest kids in town from turning a Sunday School Pageant into shambles.



SUN., DEC. 16

9-10PM NBC (8 Central/Mountain)
BOB HOPE CHRISTMAS

10-11PM NBC (9 Central/Mountain)
CHRISTMAS IN WASHINGTON Hal Linden, Neil Carter, Donny and Marie Osmond, and Frederica Bon Stade in a holiday variety show from D.C.

sports

SAT., DEC. 8

12:30PM-? NBC (11:30AM Cent./Mt.)
FOOTBALL Buffalo Bills at New Jersey Jets

1PM-? CBS (12 Central/Mountain)
NCAA BASKETBALL Nevada-Las Vegas at Georgetown, a possible preview of March's Final Four match-up.

3:30PM-? NBC (2:30 Cent./Mount.)
NCAA BASKETBALL Kentucky Wildcats at Indiana Hoosiers.

4PM-? CBS (3 Central/Mountain)
FOOTBALL The Minnesota Vikings at the San Francisco 49ers.

5:30-6PM NBC (4:30 Cent./Mt.)
AL MCGUIRE'S BASKETBALL PREVIEW A look at the nation's top conferences, teams, players and coaches.

SUN., DEC. 9

12:30PM-? CBS (11:30AM Cent./Mt.)
NFL Regional telecasts starting at 1PM NYT: N.J. Giants at St. Louis

Green Bay at Chicago
Atlanta at Tampa Bay

4PM NYT: Washington at Dallas

12:30PM-? NBC (11:30AM Cent./Mt.)
NFL Regional telecasts starting at 1PM NYT: Cincinnati at New Orleans

N. England at Philadelphia
Miami at Indianapolis
Denver at Kansas City

4PM NYT: Houston at Anaheim
San Diego at Seattle

MON., DEC. 10

9PM-? ABC (8 Central/Mountain)
PRO FOOTBALL Los Angeles Raiders at the Detroit Lions

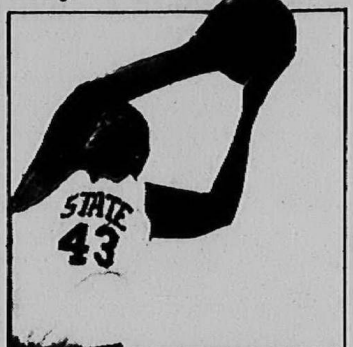
FRI., DEC. 14

9PM-? ABC (8 Central/Mountain)
PRO FOOTBALL Anaheim Rams at San Francisco 49ers

SAT., DEC. 15

12:30PM-? CBS (11:30AM Cent./Mt.)
PROFESSIONAL FOOTBALL The New Orleans Saints visit the New Jersey Giants at The Meadowlands.

3:45PM-? CBS (2:45 Cent./Mount.)
NCAA BASKETBALL DePaul at Georgetown or Tulsa at Arkansas.



4PM-? NBC (3 Central/Mountain)
PRO FOOTBALL Denver at Seattle.

SUN., DEC. 16

12:30PM-? CBS (11:30AM Cent./Mt.)
NFL Regional telecasts starting at 1PM NYT: St. Louis at Washington

Chicago at Detroit
Green Bay at Minnesota

4PM NYT: Philadelphia at Atlanta



12:30PM-? NBC (11:30AM Cent./Mt.)
NFL Regional telecasts starting at 1PM NYT: N.J. Jets at Tampa Bay

Indianapolis at N. England
Buffalo at Cincinnati
Cleveland at Houston

4PM NYT: Pittsburgh at Los Angeles
Kansas City at San Diego



MON., DEC. 17

9PM-? ABC (8 Central/Mountain)
PRO FOOTBALL Dallas Cowboys at Miami Dolphins

POP HISTORY POSER ANSWER
(The 1936 screen story starred Greta Garbo, Robert Taylor and Lionel Barrymore, long remembered down many memory lanes.)

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Computing

Time to overcome those terminal fears

To a newcomer, the world of the computer is both fascinating and dizzying, and perhaps a little frightening as well. With strange words like bit and byte, hardware and software, RAM and ROM, to attempt to master the computer can be like learning a new skill in a foreign language.

Many people are deterred from exploring all that a computer can offer — both at home and in the office — because of the unfamiliarity of it all. But their attitudes change when they have an opportunity to sit back and realize that the computer is one of the major technological contributions of the 20th century, making possible space flights, CAT scans and many of the other "miracles" of the past 20 years.

It's awesome, especially when you consider that a chip scarcely larger in size than a fingernail, can hold more than 100 pages of double-spaced manuscript and that a computer that 25 years ago sprawled over a good-sized room, today sits comfortably on a desk-top, with room to spare. And that computer has a myriad of uses in both personal and business applications — from keeping financial records to playing video games.

IF YOU'RE thinking about investing in a computer, you will need several pieces of hardware to get maximum use of it. These are:

- The computer itself, the "brains" of the unit, which contains the memory and circuitry necessary to process data, and a keyboard which has many familiar and unfamiliar characters — not only the English alphabet, numbers and necessary punctuation, but keys which facilitate commands.

- Either a disk drive or a tape player, used to take programs and data off the disk or tape on which it is stored, and enter it in the computer's memory. While a disk drive is the more expensive option, it is a far quicker, more efficient piece of equipment than the tape player.

- A monitor, on which to display the information called up, to play video games, and to calculate information. Special monitors are made, both in black and white and color, for use with computers. But a TV can be adapted for the purpose.

- A printer which, though not essential to the running of the computer, expands many of the computer's capabilities. A printer enables the computer user to keep hard copies of programs and data, and makes possible such computer applications as word processing.

DOT MATRIX and letter quality printers are two important types, though others exist to meet specific needs. A dot matrix printer is considerably faster than a letter quality printer and allows the computer user greater freedom by making possible the printing of graphics, as well as a variety of different type styles and sizes. A letter quality printer provides typewriter quality printing, important in business letters and manuscripts.

Another option is a modem, which attaches to a telephone or telephone line and allows the computer user to tie into databases, enormous computers which offer a wide range of information and services, including news, electronic mail, home banking, home shopping and electronic bulletin boards for communicating with other computer enthusiasts.

As far as software is concerned, you



Gathering around the computer terminal will become more common for the American family in coming years.

can create your own programs, storing them on blank discs or tapes (the manual that comes with the computer will

start you out on this endeavor), or buy programs made for you specific computer.

Businesses can opt for spreadsheet analysis programs, database mailing lists, programs which provide key busi-

ness graphics such as bar charts and pie charts, and a myriad of other programs.

Research computer purchases before buying

In a year, maybe two, your home video game will be obsolete. The history books will record 1981 and 1982 as the years of the videogame, rudimentary ancestor of the home computer.

You can walk into a store today, and buy any one of several home computers, for the cost of a videogame console. Using these computers is easy — many of the inexpensive systems accept video game-style cartridges.

Just pop in the cartridge and suddenly you're among the "computer literate." You can create your own programs with these starter computers, but most people simply buy the best programs

(about \$30 for starter systems) at a neighborhood computer store.

Which computer is right for you? That's a question best answered with a little research. Howard J. Blumenthal, author of "Everyone's Guide to Personal Computers" (Ballantine, \$9.95) tries to make the decision easier.

"Look at the software, the programs. Don't be impressed by the way the hardware (the machinery) looks. Visit a computer store and ask to see a

few programs in action. If you're a game player, find the best games in the store, then a select a computer system that can run those games.

When shopping for a home computer, he advises, it's wise to do some homework. Think about which of these categories best describes your needs: 1) games, 2) word processing, 3) accounting, 4) information storage and retrieval, 5) education, or 6) programming.

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Feliz Navidad San Antonio: grand way to celebrate Christmas

"Feliz Navidad," Merry Christmas. Christmas festivities began in San Antonio Nov. 23 when the Christmas lights were lit high in the cypress trees above the San Antonio River. You can enjoy a candlelit dinner on a barge full of Mariachi singers at any time of year, but from Thanksgiving through Dec. 21 the Christmas carolers will be on the river barges every night.

Christmas shoppers bought hand-made crafts from booths along the riverwalk during the Christmas Fair and shopped the Christmas Pilgrimage and Merry Mart at the San Antonio Garden Center last weekend. This weekend the fun and festivities really begin as San Antonio says Merry Christmas to the world with a Spanish accent.

The Fiesta de las Luminarias, the festival of lights, highlights the season Dec. 7-9, and 14-16, when the luminarias — candles glowing in weighted white paper bags — are lit, forming a double necklace of lights on either side of the river. They light the way for the procession of Las Posadas on Sunday evening Dec. 9.

The procession traditionally begins at La Mansion del Rio, an historic hotel with graceful arched balconies overlooking the riverwalk. Excitement grows along the river as two children dressed as Mary and Joseph come through the flowered doorway of the hotel and move across a humped stone bridge.

Angels cluster behind. The mariachi music begins. Local celebrants and travelers, in street clothes up and down the river, light their hand-held candles and follow.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS twinkle red and green from the bridges and the high trees as the procession makes its glowing passage through the night, stopping several times so that the singers can plead "In the name of heaven, I ask for lodging." Each time lodging is refused until the procession winds uphill to the restored streets of La Villita, where the Holy Family is finally invited to rest.

There is one final song of entreaty, when the children ask for the pinata, then the fun begins. Christmas carols. Hot chocolates and cookies. Children swing at the pinata with its treasure of candy. Fun lovers move to nearby hotels and cafes, and back downhill to the eating and drinking places that hum with life along the river.

Las Posadas has been the beginning of the Christmas season for centuries, on the farm and in the city. It is still very much alive in the neighborhoods of San Antonio. Neighbors choose a couple to represent Mary and Joseph and sing their way along a selected route. Candles have replaced the traditional hurricane lamp, the Farole Po-



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San Antonio loves festivals and music, especially music with a Spanish flair.



sada, but some homes still wear the faroles during yuletide.

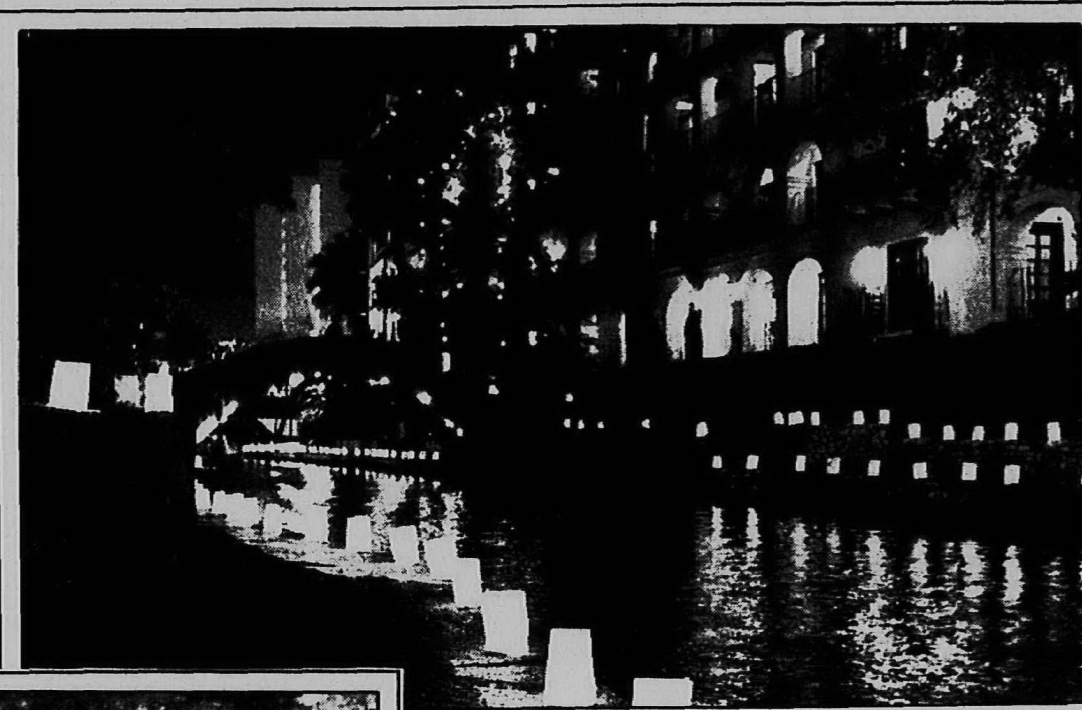
Las Posadas is just a public expression of private preparations for nacimiento, the "birth of the child." Nativity scenes appear in homes all over the city. They may be a simple group of figures or a cast of hundreds, ranging from shepherds to Roman soldiers.

On the frontier, these miniature figures were carved by the Santero — maker of saints — and you can still buy handmade Nativity figures at El Mercado, the marketplace in Market Square at Christmastime.

THE MANGER remains empty until Christmas Eve. In the old days grandmother would light the candles from stubs saved from another year and children would carry the candles in the procession of Acostado del Nino, "the laying of the child," to the local church, where the major religious service of the season begins "at cock's crow."

This midnight mass has always been the ultimate expression of religious devotion, whether simple gathering on the farm or a sophisticated spectacle in a city cathedral.

Christmas day is devoted to food: turkey in a mole sauce of chocolate, sugar and peppers, tamales, special Christmas candies and pinatas for the delight of the children. The pinata was once a cracked pot filled with sweets and hung from a nail so the children could break it with a stick; modern versions are paper animals, but the chil-



Luminarias — candles glowing in paper bags — form a necklace of lights along the Riverwalk in San Antonio. Below is the facade of the Alamo, the mission where the battle of Alamo was fought by 200 Americans against thousands of Mexicans.



ger, timed to arrive Jan. 6 when Los Pastores begins.

Los Pastores, "the shepherds," is a medieval miracle play brought to the missions more than 400 years ago so that the missionaries could teach the Christmas story to the Indians. It is given public expression now at dusk on Jan. 6 on the grounds of the historic San Jose Mission.

This traditional folklore was not written down until an Italian priest rescued it from obscurity in 1930. Until then it was typically held between the ranch house and the barn, with spectators sitting on fence, wagon or rooftop, and local actors joining them for tamales and tequila between stage parts. If you are very lucky, you might be invited to just such an informal version of Los Pastores today.

San Antonio is a wonderful mixture of folklore and fun during the Christ-

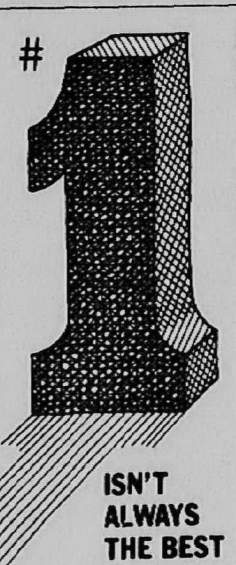
mas festival, but the Spanish accent is there any time. Attend Mariachi Mass any Sunday noon at San Jose Mission, followed by serenade in the courtyard after the service. Tour the missions, the Alamo and two museums where the Spanish-American story is well told: the New San Antonio Museum of art, brilliantly constructed around old brewery building, and the Institute of Texan Cultures, a one-of-a-kind museum that tells the state's story through its ethnic heritage.

YOU CAN choose an elegant or simple place to sleep and eat while enjoying San Antonio. Tourist life is focused around the riverwalk in the heart of downtown. Mansion Del Rio, built as a

boys school in 1852, was renovated as a hotel in 1968.

More than 50 percent of the people of San Antonio are Hispanic, so the Spanish accent of the city is real. It enriches the culture of the city as it has done for centuries along the San Antonio River. You can enjoy it at any time of year but there is a very special feeling to this little corner of Texas at Christmas time when religious festivals develop naturally into fiestas. San Antonions are a friendly people, so you will hear the greeting wherever you go.

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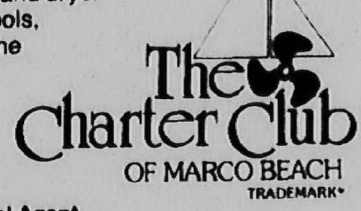
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HOLIDAY DISPLAYS

A Victorian Christmas is the theme at the Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main, Plymouth, through Jan. 6. Surrounding the museum's wonderful old village, circa 1920s, are trees decorated by Plymouth florists; also on display are antique dolls and trains. Exquisite old dolls from 1873, the 1890s and an unusual doll from the 1880s with a waxed head and eyes without pupils are among those exhibited. Along with trains of Standard Gauge, H.O. and .027 gauge, a collection of depots is on display. The Plymouth Historical Museum is open 1-4 p.m. Thursday, Saturday and Sunday. An admission is charged.

LUMINARIES SALE

The Trailwood Garden Club will begin its sixth annual sale of Christmas Luminaries. The 15-hour candles and bags are available from any member or by calling 459-1999, 459-3797, or 455-9024. All profits are returned to the community.

CITRUS FRUIT SALE

The Centennial Educational Park (CEP) wrestlers are selling citrus fruit from Indian River, Fla., with deliveries to be made Sunday, Dec. 17. Make checks payable to Canton Wrestling Team. Prices are: small grapefruit, \$9; large grapefruit, \$16; small navel oranges, \$11; large navel oranges, \$20; small Hamlin oranges, \$10; large Hamlin oranges, \$17. For more information or to order fruit, contact Dan Chrenko at 451-6398 or Ron Krueger at 451-6247.

VETERAN BENEFITS

Plymouth Passage-Gayde American Legion Post 391 reminds any veteran or widow receiving a non-service connected pension to return the annual In-

come Questionnaire Card to the Veterans Administration by Jan. 1. Failure to do so could result in a delay in monthly benefit checks. The card was mailed to pensioners by the VA around Nov. 1. Anyone wanting assistance may contact Post Service Officer Don Hartley at 459-2914. There is no charge for the assistance.

STUDENT OF MONTH

The Plymouth Elks will be honoring a student of the month for January, February, March and April (and in May a student of the year). Students may apply or may be nominated by another student, teacher or member of the community. Students will be selected on the basis of any of the following: achievement, character, leadership, service, citi-

zenship or scholarship.

Applications for the January Student of the Month may be picked up at the counseling offices at Plymouth Canton High and Plymouth Salem High or at the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education office at 454 S. Harvey. To be considered for the January Student of the Month, applications must be turned in to the counseling office secretary by Dec. 10, 1984.

FALL LEAF PICKUP

City of Plymouth has started its annual pickup of leaves throughout the city. Residents are asked to place their leaves at the curb as soon as possible so

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from our readers

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

Thanks given for experience

To the editor:

In times like these, when we hear so many negative things about people and "man's inhumanity to man," it is essential to take time to point to the beautiful things which people do for others.

Thanksgiving has passed, but the Christmas season continues to be a time to give thanks for the good men do for others.

We especially wish to thank St. John Episcopal Church for welcoming one of our new (to Plymouth) residents into their congregation. When he returned from his first church visit full of smiles, we didn't have to ask if people were nice to him. Soon after, he was invited to attend an evening church social function and again was made to feel very comfortable and wanted.

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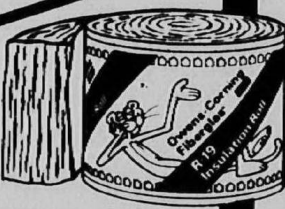
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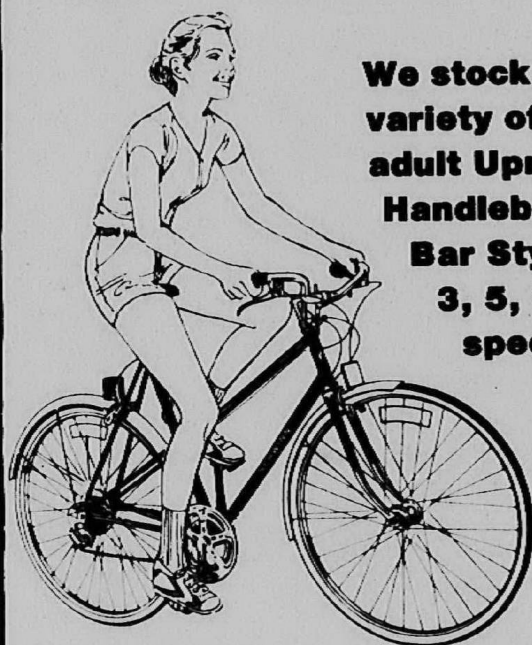
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● GREEK LANGUAGE LESSONS
Adult Greek language lessons are 7-9 p.m. Thursdays at Nativity of the Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church, 39851 Five Mile, Plymouth. For more information, contact Debbie Anderson at 420-0131.

● STATUE OF LIBERTY DRIVE
Miller Elementary School is conducting a Kellogg's box-top drive through the end of the school year to raise money for the Statue of Liberty restoration. Kellogg will contribute money to the Statue of Liberty fund for every box top collected. The drive is open to all contributors. A special box is at the school for the box tops. The school will receive a plaque if they collect 5,000 or more box tops.

● SPECIAL OLYMPICS
Special Olympics, an international program of physical fitness, sport training and athletic competition for mentally impaired children and adults, is being formed in the Plymouth-Canton area. Anyone interested in participating should contact a representative of the Special Education Parent Advisory Committee (SEPAC) at 455-7684 or 420-0509.

● HELPING ADULTS READ
Plymouth-Canton Community Education can help adults read. For more information about Adult Basic Education (ABE), call 451-6555 or 451-6660. Open enrollment. Students can begin classes at any time.

● NEW HORIZONS
New Horizons, a sharing exchange for mothers, will meet the second and fourth Fridays of each month 9:30-11:30 a.m. at Faith Moravian Community Church, 46001 Warren west of Canton Center Road. For information, call Mary at 455-8221.
The group will meet 9:30-11:30 a.m. Friday, Dec. 14 at the church. Each mother is asked to bring an idea for a toy to share, a gift for their child and cookies to pass. The toy-idea exchange session will be the group's final meeting of the year.

● CRISIS COUNSELING
If you need help in solving a problem or need someone who will listen, counselors at Turning Point Counseling and Crisis Intervention Center can help. Phone counseling is available 8:30-10:30 p.m. Monday-Friday by calling 455-9400 or by appointment from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Turning Point is a non-profit community service of Growth Works Inc. which offers crisis intervention and counseling.

● BEGINNING STRING CLASS
The beginning string class for students grades 4-6 will meet 6:30 p.m. each Tuesday in the music room of Plymouth Salem High. Janita Hawk, string specialist at Madonna College and Ladywood High School, will be teaching the beginner lessons for violin, viola, cello and string bass. Tuition for the group lessons will be \$50 for the 1984-85 school year. Some instruments will be available at a moderate rental fee.

● PRESBYTERIAN THRIFT SHOP
The First Presbyterian Thrift Shop on East Liberty in Old Village, Plymouth, is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursdays. Donations of used clothes and small household appliances are welcomed 9-11 a.m. Tuesdays or 10-4 Thursdays. All proceeds go to missions.

● CITRUS FRUIT SALE
Fresh citrus fruit from Florida will be arriving this month for customers of the annual education fund project of the Plymouth SDA Church School. The fruit, trucked in from Indian River, Fla., is navel or temple oranges or grapefruit. Also sold will be boxes of apples and varieties of nuts and seeds. The fruit will be sold only one day of each month — usually on a Monday. Orders should be made during the first week of each month by calling 981-3423 or 455-4508. These phone numbers can give you information or add your name to the mailing list. The fruit is delivered to Lilley and Ford Road from November 1984 through March 1985.

● GARBAGE BAGS
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● HEARTSAVER COURSE
A CPR heartsaver course will be offered beginning 7 p.m. the second Mon-

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● SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES
Preprimary special education services for children 6 and younger are available through Plymouth-Canton Community Schools. If you have a child who may be mentally or emotionally impaired, have a physical or visual disability, or a hearing or speech impairment or learning disability, call the Infant and Preschool Special Education Program at Farrand Elementary School, 451-6610, for information.

● PLYMOUTH CHILDREN'S NURSERY
Plymouth Children's Nursery has a few openings for 4-year-olds in its Tuesday-Thursday afternoon class. The nursery school is a cooperative preschool for 3- and 4-year-olds located on the corner of Warren and Haggerty roads in Canton. For information, call Pam at 459-7160 or Amy at 459-3235.

● RAINBOW CHILD CARE
The Friendly Rainbow Child Care & Learning Center has openings for children ages 2½ to 12. The center, at 42290 Five Mile at Bradner in Plymouth, provides child care, preschool experiences, drop-in and after school programs. Experiences are varied according to age and ability. For information, call Janet Masori at 420-0495.

● CREATIVE DAY NURSERY
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● GREAT BOOKS
The Adult Great Books discussion group of western Wayne County will meet 8-10 p.m. the first and third Thursday of each month in the Carl Sandburg Branch Library, 30100 Seven Mile (next to Livonia Mall), Livonia. For information and a reading list, call Zo Chisnell at 349-3121.

● WRITERS UNLIMITED
Writers Unlimited, a creative writers' club, meets on the first and third Tuesday of each month at the Canton Public Library. Members read and critique manuscripts; the focus is on getting published. New members are welcome to attend the next meeting or call 420-0604 for more details.

● EMPLOYMENT DYNAMICS
The Growth Works Employment Dynamics Program is enrolling participants through June 1985. Purpose of the program is to help young people find permanent employment. The federally funded program for ages 16-21 offers job search skill training, work experience and job placement assistance. Persons may enroll at Growth Works at 271 S. Main, south of Penniman Avenue in Plymouth.

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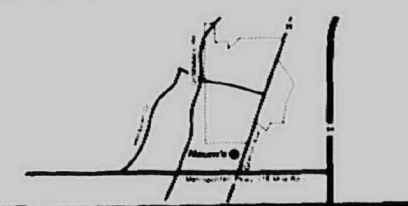
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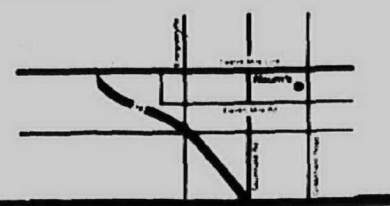
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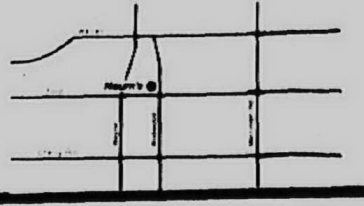
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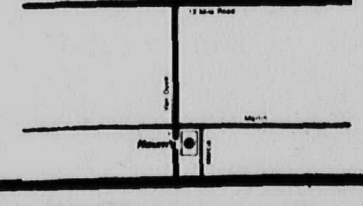
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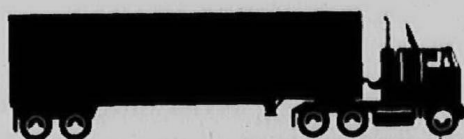


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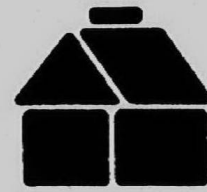


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exhibitions

● GALLERY CRAWL

Friday, Dec. 7 — Visit 10 of the finest galleries in downtown Detroit while doing your shopping 5-9 p.m. during the Detroit Council of the Art's third annual winter event. Four galleries have been added to this year's crawl. Art work ranges from \$2 and up. Exhibits include holiday crafts, sculpture, painting and clothing. The crawl, free to the public, begins at the arts council, 47 E. Adams. Parking is available for \$1. To reserve a space, call the DCA office at 224-3691 during regular business hours.

● FORD HOUSE HOLIDAY

Dec. 6-8 — Step back in time by attending "Christmas at the Ford House," the special fund-raising effort of University Liggett School. The Edsel and Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lake Shore Road in Grosse Pointe Shores, will be decorated for the holidays by 16 interior designers and florists. Hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily, 6-9 p.m. on Thursday. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$4 per person for groups of 15 or more (by reservation) and \$3 for students.

● PRESTON BURKE GALLERIES

Through December — Now showing vibrantly colored works, "Raku Sculpture and Potter," by Ed Risak. The gallery is open from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday at 430 W. Larned in Detroit.

● HOLIDAY ART FAIR

Dec. 8-9 — University Artists and Craftsmen Guild is sponsoring their 10th annual Christmas Art Fair, from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Saturday and from noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday at the University of Michigan Coliseum, corner of Fifth Avenue and Hill Street in Ann Arbor. Admission is free, but there is a \$1 charge for parking. Entertainment both days will range from artists' demonstrations to dancers.

● GALLERY 22

Thursday, Dec. 6 — New lithographs by French artist Michel Delacroix and American realist George Altman continue through the month. Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Friday, until 9 p.m. Thursday and until 5 p.m. Saturday, 22 E. Long Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills.

● PRESTON BURKE GALLERIES

Raku sculpture and pottery by Ed Risak continues through December. Hours are 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, 430 Larned, Detroit.

● TROY ART GALLERY

Holiday gift exhibit continues through Jan. 12 — functional ceramics as well as works in glass, silk fiber and wood as well as Japanese wood block prints. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 755 Big Beaver Road, Troy.

● FELDMAN GALLERIES

New modular paintings by Gene Davis are on display through December. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Saturday, until 8 p.m. Thursday, 6917 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield.

● OAKLAND COUNTY COMPLEX

Works in glass by Jan Springer and Sallyanne Morris are on display in the Courthouse and in the County Galleria in the Executive Office Building. Watercolors, "Seasons of Change," by Lawrence Falardeau continue through Dec. 20 in the County Galleria. The exhibits are open to the public during regular business hours. 1200 N. Telegraph Road, Pontiac.

● OAKLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Annual fall exhibition and sale of the Southeast Campus Arts and Humanities Club will be in the Royal Oak campus auditorium through Saturday, Dec. 15. Robert Berry's work is featured. Hours are 8:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday-Thursday, until 5 p.m. Friday, 739 S. Washington, Royal Oak.

● G.R.N. 'NAMI GALLERY

Reginald Gammon's Gospel Music Series continues through Dec. 29. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 212 David Whitney Building, 1553 Woodward Ave., Detroit.

● SHELTON ROSS GALLERY

Two fine Detroit artists, Sue Linburg and John Hegarty, have their work, sculpture and drawings (respectively) on display. She's on Center for Creative Studies faculty, and he teaches at Wayne State University. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 250 Martin St., Birmingham.

● SOUTH AFRICAN ART

Works by Ephraim Maponya will be on display in the Lobby Gallery at the Detroit Repertory Theatre, 13103 Woodrow Wilson Ave. in Detroit, during the run of "Master Harold . . . and the Boys," 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Friday and

In style

Village inspires holiday ideas

By Mary Klemic
staff writer

Decorating ideas for an "old-fashioned" Christmas are right in style these days.

A visit to Greenfield Village and the Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn this month can show how much a few touches from the past can add to Christmas present.

The celebration of Christmas in America is a culmination of holiday customs from other countries and various religions, according to West Bloomfield resident Katherine Brata, assistant of interpretive training at the village and museum.

Early in the history of this country, how you celebrated Christmas (and if you celebrated it at all) depended on your religion. The Puritans may not have noted the holiday as members of the Church of England did.

Holiday decorating tips were found in the Ladies Home Journal, Farm and Home and other publications in the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

THE FIRST Christmas trees were wooden pyramids, Brata said. The first real trees in the 1850s were tabletop size. They were decorated with such religious symbols as roses, wafers and candles, with homemade ornaments or edible objects, including gilded walnuts.

As seen at the Sarah Jordan Boardinghouse, trees in the late 1800s carried

U.S. flags, symbols of reuniting the country after the Civil War in the 1860s, dolls and doll-sized furniture.

Candles on trees were lit only for the first effect. They were extinguished after the family saw them lit, because of the hazard. Just in case, a bucket of water was kept close at hand.

Green branches were placed behind pictures, and begonias, cyclamen and other colorful flowers were placed around the house.

A turn-of-the-century Christmas can be seen at the Wright brothers' home, which dates 1900-10. The tree is in a room filled with greens and poinsettia plants. Wreaths hang on the stairway, tied with red ribbon, and a crepe bell hangs over an entryway.

At that time, the Christmas tree usually reached from the floor to the ceiling. It was adorned with homemade paper, ribbon or popcorn chains, along with store-bought decorations.

"By 1900 you could buy ornaments from factories," Brata said. "They were mass-produced."

Place settings took on a festive air. They featured napkins folded to form a pocket, crown, tiara or water lily.

"At the turn of the century, everything was overdone," Brata said. "You couldn't just put a napkin on a plate. Everything was done just so."

AT THE Wright home, a table is set with a white tablecloth, the corners of which are gathered and pinned in place with ribbons. Two red ribbon runners lay on top of the cloth. Wooden spoons, painted red and decorated with holly and ribbon, serve as place markers. Sprigs of pine are arranged under a dish of plum pudding in the center of the table.

Of what would the holiday meal consist? Portraying Sarah Rorer, food editor of the Ladies Home Journal at the turn of the century, Bloomfield Hills resident Joan Chodak suggested a roast chicken with chestnut stuffing. Chicken, selling for seven cents a pound at that time, was less expensive than turkey, which then cost 10 cents a pound, she explained.

Holiday meals were elaborate, guides at the Wright home say. The meals consisted of consommé, plum pudding, blanched almonds, bonbons, roast duck or roast pork, sweet and white potatoes, squash, two kinds of salad and both a heavy and a light dessert.

Visitors to the home this month may smell meals cooking, along with cinnamon and cloves put to boil to scent the air. Portions of meals are prepared every day at the home during the holiday season.

NEW YEAR'S Day was more of a celebration than Christmas in the 1840s. Guides at the Noah Webster house say ladies would stay home on New Year's Day and gentlemen would go calling, leaving their cards behind. It was a sort of contest to see who "col-



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Jimmie Smith demonstrates some 19th century toys at the Elias Brown General Store at Green-

field Village. The toys were often handmade and traded for other goods at the rural stores.

lected" the most gentlemen callers.

The visitors, who usually stayed 15 minutes, would be served punch, dried fruits and pastries called sweetmeats, among other foods. A table at the Webster house features small glasses of dainty artificial flowers, as tables back then would have featured.

Presents were exchanged at New Year's Day. Christmas was considered a religious holiday, a time when the wealthy gave to the poor, or an employer to his workers, not expecting a gift in return.

Gifts in the late 19th century were usually handmade, most of them by parents for their children, according to guides at the Elias Brown General Store.

"They would have been sold or traded for other things (at the store)," said guide Jimmie Smith of Farmington. "You could buy manufactured toys but they were very expensive."

AMONG THE popular toys then were stuffed or wooden animals, block puzzles, and china or wooden dolls. The china doll heads could be bought alone for do-it-yourselfers.

Oranges were considered an extravagance or special gift. At a price of 25 cents each in 1880, an orange could cost one week's pay.

A music box was considered the "home entertainment center" of the time, a guide said. One on display at the store is played only at Christmas-time. This music box was built in Switzerland in 1885 and purchased by Henry Ford in 1928. It contains bells, a tiny drum, castanets and a zither. Made of inlaid mahogany, it cost as much then as a stereo does today.

Demonstrations on how to make ornaments and simple presents are taking place at the museum this month. Character portrayals of author Louisa May Alcott and a Victorian era St. Nick will be presented, as will carolers, choirs, instrumentalists, performances, demonstrations and tours. For information, call 271-1620.



A Christmas tree at the Sarah Jordan Boarding House is festooned with American flags to show the patriotic fervor of the post Civil War era. Table top trees were common then.

Winners were hard to choose in contest

This is another in a series of lessons on art and drawing by special columnist David Messing.

He has taught for eight years and operates an art store, Art Store and More, 18774 Middlebelt, Livonia. Messing encourages questions and comments from readers. You may write him at his store or c/o Observer Newspapers, 23352 Farmington Road, Farmington MI 48024.

By David Messing
special writer

It was like lining up all my favorite treats. Imagine a long table, the first in the line of high calorie items, were M&M peanuts, slightly chilled. Next to them are Fanny Farmer peanut clusters. Then a stack of those Elephant Ears that you always see at fairs. Imagine a triple scoop of chocolate mint, chocolate mint, chocolate mint. Now add some bavarian waffles, Mom's cookies, my wife's ples . . . oh, yes and a handful of peanut

butter cups. This row of goodies would have to contain at least 25 of my favorites.

Now if you can imagine me trying to figure out which one was my number one favorite, then you can understand the problems I faced judging this contest. Of the almost 200 entries I could have chosen any one of 25 to be the first-place winner. So like a real "chicken," I called some of the Art Store's teachers into the store for a "meeting." Since they were all there for the meeting, they might just as well help me judge the contest. Of course the "meeting" never adjourned because it took hours to pick the best winners out of 25 winners. We tried everything from critical judgment to flipping a coin.

Finally, we decided, stacked and labeled them and went home. Now even though we have had three babies, it is rare that I ever wake up in the middle of the night, but I sat up in bed at 2 a.m. mumbling to myself, "maybe the one barn scene should beat out the other barn scene, but the teddy bear is so cute. . ."

Well, it's all over, I know I lost an inch of my hair line and a little sleep but here are the winners.

FIRST: GAIL Nymshack Yurasek

of Farmington. Everytime I looked at her drawing I would find myself humming "Silent Night." Gail is 30 years old, the mother of two little girls, Jessica and Leah. Gail says that she couldn't do any artwork at all without the help and support of her husband, Joe. As a matter of fact you might recognize Jessica as her photo won second place in a photo contest and was in last week's Creative Living section. So Gail is having a pretty good week. She says, "now that she won the drafting table and supplies, the family can now have the dining room table back."

Gail's inspiration for her card came from a photo she took of a barn while traveling through a city called Sheep-ranch in California. She used other photos of sheep for reference and of course added in the snow. Although there were entries that showed more technical skill and detail, Gail won because of the feeling and impact of her artwork. There were several beautiful snow/barn scenes but Gail's sheep added some life that was missing in the others. I forgot to mention that Gail won the Alvin Folding drafting table, a design marker set, free framing and an Art Store T-shirt. Congratulations, Gail.

Second place winner is Margie Guyot. Margie, a 30-year-old wife from Farmington, won a drafting table, a set of 48 Concept markers and an Art Store T-shirt. I am pleased that I can recall Margie coming into the Art Store years ago and asking "What's a good assortment of pencils if you want to start drawing." Well, Margie you sure have come a long way since then. Margie drew a teddy bear on her Christmas card. Terrific job, Margie, and congratulations.

Third place winner is Jim Oxford. Jim is 17 years old from Westland. Jim won a \$25 certificate and an Art Store T-shirt. Jim's pen and ink snow scene, was by far the strongest commercial or graphic looking entry. Its the kind of drawing that you might expect to see Hallmark written on the back. Beautiful job, Jim, and congratulations.

FOURTH PLACE winner was Kelly Valentine, a 15-year-old student from Plymouth. Kelly did a close up of a fat little teddy bear all bundled up in a scarf and knit hat. The over all skill and feeling of her work placed in high in our opinion. Plus the eyes of this little bear seemed like they were saying "pick me, pick me" every time we walked by. Congratulations, Kelly.

Fifth place winner was Grant Carmichael, a 15-year-old student from Plymouth. Grant did a barn scene. Although there was no life on the picture it seemed to have a "closed for the winter" look to it. Also we used a reducing lens in judging this contest and when reduced Grant's picture really came together. Congratulations, Grant.

Sixth place winner was Bill Oldenburgh, a 37-year-old husband, father of twin boys from Northville. Bill did a microscopic stipple drawing of a little penguin all donned in winter gear. Beautiful job, Bill, and congratulations.

I would like to mention that 4th, 5th and 6th place winners received a \$15 gift certificate, free printing of their Christmas cards and an Art Store T-shirt. There are many Honorable Mentions: Shirley Schlager's beautifully drawn children on a sled; Margaret Liddane's children next to the Christmas tree; Jenny Gat's teddy bear; Louise Johnson's madonna; Rose Marie Stark's winter scene; Lyle Biggs man with wreath; Mike Cumming's teddy bears; and Shawn Carson's barn scene. Also Eric Nelson's bird

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Saturday, 7:30 p.m. Sunday through Dec. 31. The exhibit may be viewed by groups at other times by special arrangement. Call 868-1347 for more information.

● **FARMINGTON HILLS**
Thursday, Dec. 6 — Audrey Shapiro who formerly owned Black Stone Gallery in northern Michigan is now in Farmington Hills. She will have her seventh annual show and sale Dec. 6, 7, 8 at 29530 Highmeadow, west of Middlebelt, between 12 and 13 Mile. Hours are 6-10 p.m. Thursday and noon to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

● **ILONA AND GALLERY**
"Affordable art" continues through the holiday season. Hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Friday, until 5:30 p.m. Saturday, noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Hunters Square Mall, 14 Mile and Orchard Lake roads, Farmington Hills.

● **DONALD MORRIS GALLERY**
Recent paintings by Robert Wilbert continue through December. The 15 paintings by the Michigan artist are all figurative from life-size nudes to intimate portraits of his family and friends. Hours are 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 105 Townsend, Birmingham.

● **DONNA JACOBS GALLERY**
"Holiday Show 1984" presents high-quality ancient art in a charming, newly enlarged setting, 574 N. Woodward, second floor, Birmingham. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday.

● **DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS**
"American Masters: The Thyssen-Bornemisza Collection" is a remarkable collection of American paintings covering some 200 years of American art. The Baron Thyssen-Bornemisza is considered to be one of the most important — if not the most important — individual art collector in the world. Continues through Jan. 20, 5200 Woodward, Detroit.

● **TOWN CENTER GALLERY**
Photographs by Otis Sprow are on display at the gallery, 3000 Town Center, Suite 45, Southfield, through Dec. 24. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

● **HALSTED GALLERY**
Landscape photographs by Michael Kenna continue on display at the gallery, 560 N. Woodward through Jan. 5. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

● **CRANBROOK INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE**
"Inua: Spirit World of the Bering Sea Eskimo" is one of the most-ambitious exhibits ever assembled by the Smithsonian Institution. Photographs, notes and artifacts on 19th-century Bering Sea Eskimo life make up the collection. For hours, call 645-3230, 500 Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills.

● **ARNOLD KLEIN GALLERY**
Recent work by Donna Rae Hirt continues through the year. These are pencil and crayon drawings. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 4520 N. Woodward Ave., Royal Oak.

● **PONTIAC ART CENTER**
"20th Anniversary Review" includes art and photographs from the last two decades of this center's founding and development, 47 Williams, Pontiac.

● **BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD ART ASSOCIATION**
Holiday Sales Show continues 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday-Friday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday through Dec. 8. In addition to original tree ornaments by more than 60 artists, there will be fiber work, pottery, leather, wood carvings, jewelry, baskets, toys and clothing. In the rental/sales gallery, there are paintings, prints and drawings by Michigan artists and a special show of sculpture by Joe Bulone. The BBAA is at 1516 S. Cranbrook Road north of 14 Mile Road, Birmingham.

● **HILL GALLERY**
Drawing and Sculpture by Alice Ay-

cock will be on display through Dec. 8. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 163 Townsend, Birmingham.

● **HOOPERMAN GALLERY**
Multi-media show of works by the instructors and upper level students at the Appalachian Center for Crafts include glass, ceramics, metal and fibers. Some of those featured are Rebecca Medel, fibers; Wendy Maruyama, wood; Tom Rippon, ceramics; Roert Coogan, metals; and David Huchthausen, glass. Hours are 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 155 S. Bates, Birmingham.

● **VENTURE GALLERY**
Curtis Benzle and Suzan Benzle collaborate with works in porcelain. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday and Saturday-Friday until 9 p.m., 28235 Southfield, Lathrup Village.

● **MEADOW BROOK ART GALLERY**

"Courtyard, Bazaar and Temple: Traditions of Textile Expression in India" continues through Dec. 7. The textiles are complemented by jewelry, puppets, a pit loom, small tools, dye samples and graphics showing the process. Most of the textiles are from the Elizabeth Bayley Willis Collection of the University of Washington, one of the finest of its kind in the United States. Hours are 1-5 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, 2-6:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday and evenings during Meadow Brook Theatre performances, Oakland University campus, Rochester.

● **THE GALLERY . . . AT MAINSTREET PLACE**
"Small Treasures" includes more than 300 paintings by members of "Palette and Brush Club." This opens the club's 50th birthday celebration and continues through Jan. 6. Maximum dimension is

14 inches. Hours are 10 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday, 903 North Main, Royal Oak.

● **DULANY'S GALLERY**
Exhibition of rare Oriental works of art, Shang through Qing dynasties includes early furniture. Hours are 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 183 Oakland, Birmingham.

● **FEIGENSON GALLERY**
One-person exhibition features current oil on canvas paintings by Detroit/New York artist, Gary Mayer. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 310 Fisher Building, Detroit.

● **PIERCE STREET GALLERY**
"The North American Cowboy and the Land" is a two-artist show by Jay Dusan and David Lubbers. Continues through Dec. 29. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, 217 Pierce, Birmingham.

● **GALLERY BIRMINGHAM**
"Surrealism," features paintings by two contemporary artists, Helmuth Goede and H. Karapetian. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, until 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 223 S. Woodward, Birmingham.

● **PARK WEST GALLERIES**
"Impressionism Through Art Deco — Masters of the Turn of the Century," features color lithos, aquatints and etchings by Renoir, Toulouse-Lautrec, Muncha, Cheret and Whistler. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, until 9 p.m. Thursday and Friday, until 5 p.m. Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, 29469 Northwestern, Southfield.

● **CRANBROOK ACADEMY OF ART MUSEUM**
"Fredman's Epistles," lithographs by Swedist artist Peter Dahl are on display. Thirty prints portray songs of the 18th century Swedish musician Carl

Michael Bellman. Dahl, born in Norway, currently lives in Stockholm. Also at the museum, on the main floor is "The Pop Art Print," which includes serigraphs, lithographs and etchings by some of the best-known personalities in contemporary art including Warhol, Oldenberg, Johns, Rosenquist, Dine, Lichtenstein and Rauchenberg. Hours are 1-5 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday, 500 Lone Pine, Bloomfield Hills. Admission charge.

● **ALAN DOHRMANN GALLERIES**

Ancient artifacts are the specialty in this gallery, 135 E. Maple, Birmingham.

● **ROBERT L. KIDD ASSOCIATES**

Friday, Dec. 7 — "New Realism," survey of contemporary realism features works by 64 artists in various me-

dia. Continues through Jan. 26. Opening reception 3-6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 15. Hours are 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, until 8 p.m. Thursday and Friday and 1-5 p.m. Sundays in December, 107 Townsend, Birmingham.

● **HABATAT GALLERIES**
Saturday, Dec. 8 — "Evolution/Revolution" features six separate exhibits in Habatat and Venture Galleries with artists Stephen Hodder, Dick Huss, William Morris, Karla Trinkley, Paul Selde and William Dexter. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, until 9 p.m. Friday, 28235 Southfield, Lathrup Village.

● **HOOPERMAN GALLERY**
Holiday selections include ceramics, jewelry, fiber, wood and paintings by a variety of artists. Hours are 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, until 8 p.m. Thursday through the holidays, 155 S. Bates, Birmingham.



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and squirrel, and the list could go on and on. Boy, was I right about pen and ink being the great equalizer. Of those 15 top choices many were created by 15-, 16- and 17-year-olds.

In the younger category, ages 10 through 14, these are the winners: First place winner is Erin Martin, 14. Erin won a drafting table, free printing of her Christmas card and an Art Store T-shirt. Congratulations, Erin.

Second place winner was Jenny Esper another 14 year old. Jenny Esper won a Design marker set and an Art store T-shirt. Congratulations, Jenny.

Last but not least was the 3rd place winner, Kerrie Gurgold, 13. Kerrie won a Design marker set and an Art Store T-shirt. Congratulations, Kerrie.

Originality wasn't the main criteria. It did come

into play in deciding the final winners. Just as in judging the duck stamp contest with so many beautiful paintings, often the judges are forced to actually count the feathers to help them pick the winner. Now if you weren't in the winners circle believe me it was a hard circle for us to form.

But you can still be a winner by having your entries made into Christmas cards. A special thanks to Dan at QPS printing for donating free printing to the first six place winners. Dan is just now doing the first batch of Christmas cards my students are doing. As soon as other artists and students see these first few cards they get so excited and can hardly wait to get theirs done. There is still time to make your own Christmas card and have it printed. Believe me your loved ones will be thrilled to see your name on this year's Christmas card.

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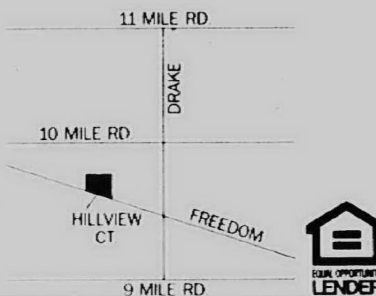
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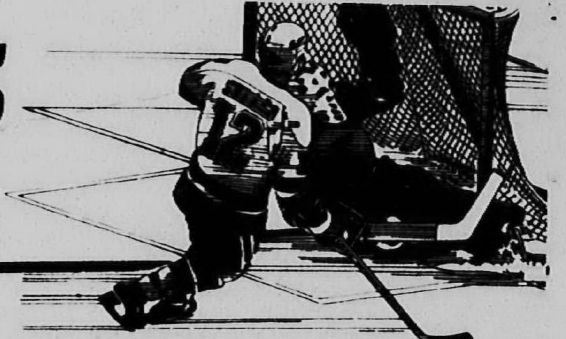
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plus security. 353-3648

FARMINGTON HILLS Executive
Ranch available for 18 month lease
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central air, back yard. \$525 mo.
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\$330 mo. plus security & references.
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Cod. \$475 month. 525-2916

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plus security. References. 453-2038

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bedroom, garage & deep yard, \$325 mo.
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PLYMOUTH, 3 bedroom, den, 2 bath,
custom brick, family room, fireplace,
greenhouse, basement, garage. \$975 mo.
plus security. 453-1872

REDFORD AREA - Rent with option to
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garage. 1200 sq. ft. 1720 Olympia N. E.
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REDFORD AREA, 3 bedroom ranch,
very clean, no pet. 17620 Five Points
Pavilion \$380/MO. + security.
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buy 4 bedroom bungalow, basement,
garage, fenced yard. \$400 per month,
1st & last month & security. 592-1576

REDFORD TWP. - 2 bedrooms, double
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REDFORD - 3 bedroom, brick ranch,
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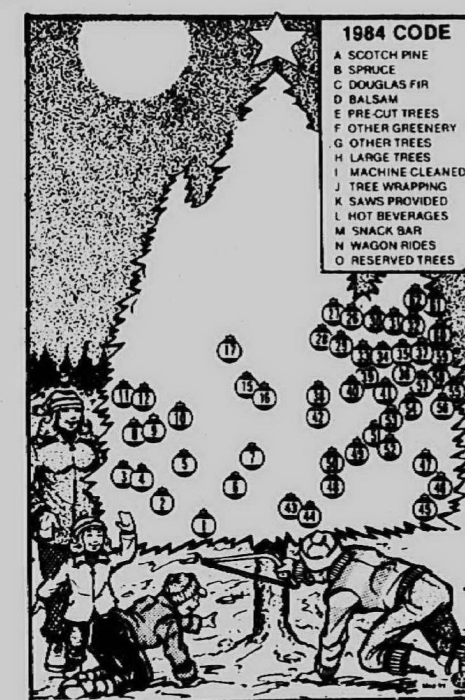
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Tree prices, types vary

Families who enjoy the fresh pine scent of a live evergreen in their homes during the holidays can bundle up and head for a farm to cut their own Christmas trees, says the Automobile Club of Michigan.

Some 482,000 trees in more than a dozen varieties are available at the 62 choose-and-cut tree farms listed on the club's 1984 guide.

Prices begin at \$3 for Scotch Pines, the same as last year. Families may expect to pay up to \$50 for large or more expensive trees such as Douglas fir and blue spruce. A few farms price some trees by height, varying from \$1.50 to \$4 per foot depending on the type.

The variety of trees grown in Michigan include white and Norway spruce, balsam and grand fir, and white, Austrian and ponderosa pine.

Families may reserve trees at 19 listed farms. Persons who are looking for trees after Dec. 15 are advised to call ahead to check availability.

A number of the farms offer more than an opportunity to choose a tree.

Twenty farms offer wagon rides and 15 sell beverages or snacks. Farms at Paw Paw, Clio, Ida and Grass Lake have gift shops, offering items ranging from trinkets to antiques.

Santa will visit with youngsters at tree farms near Otisville, Brooklyn and Grass Lake during weekends.

Auto Club offers the following advice to persons planning to cut their own trees:

- Take a hand saw. Most farms lend

saws, but taking your own saves time if all are in use. Axes are banned.

- Cut the tree close to the ground. Shake trees in the field to remove old needles. Eleven farms on the Auto Club's guide will mechanically clean trees.

- Cut Norway, white and black spruce and Balsam fir trees at temperatures above 40 degrees to help them hold their needles while displayed. At colder temperatures, those varieties drop needles more easily than pines and Douglas firs.

- Take twine to tie trees to cars although most farms provide it. To help the tree withstand wind while being transported, tie its base to the front of the car. Thirty-six farms will wrap trees for easy transport.

- At home, immediately place the tree in a stand filled with water. If the tree has been stored for more than two days, cut an inch or two off the base before putting it up. Check water level daily.

- Keep trees in a cool area, away from flames and heating ducts. Before decorating, check tree lights for bare wires. Take care not to overload electrical outlets.

Farm map on Page 3

For a map listing locations of choose-and-cut Christmas tree farms, See Page 3 of the Gift Guide



Tree crop this year one of the better ones

Favorable growing conditions this past year have contributed to what will be a good Christmas-tree crop for the holiday season.

"The combination of growers continually increasing the size of their plantations and this year's favorable weather means that consumers can choose from a wide selection of high quality trees," said Mel Koelling, Michigan State University Extension Service forestry specialist.

According to Koelling and Harvey Koop, president of the Michigan Christmas Tree Growers Association, prices for Christmas trees this year will be about the same as last year's prices.

The harvest of the crop is generally valued at more than \$30 million. About 70 percent of the four-million trees harvested will be shipped to out-of-state markets, many in the eastern and southern parts of the country.

Michigan began producing plantation-grown Christmas trees in the early 1940s, and today the state is considered the nation's center for quality Christmas tree production, Koelling says.

Koop says that Michigan's 750 to 900 growers produce between 60 and 70 mil-

lion trees on about 65,000 acres in plantation production.

Of these trees, nearly 80 percent are Scotch pine, a species popular because of its rapid growth and good response to plantation culture. Blue and white spruce account for another 10 percent of the crop. The remaining 10 percent consists of Douglas fir and other species.

"Many people do not realize the amount of care and planning that Christmas-tree production requires," Koelling says. "Trees are a crop, not unlike corn or soybeans. The major difference is the longer growing period for trees — about 10 years."

"The average tree grown in Michigan is the result of rather intensive care," Koelling adds. "Trees are pampered products from the time they are planted until they are in the hands of the consumer."

As soon as trees are planted, growers begin protecting them from insects and competition for nutrients by weeds. When the trees are about three feet tall, three to four years after planting, annual shearing begins. This helps the tree develop a nice contour and thicker foliage. While they are growing, the trees are monitored for insects, diseases and other problems, Koelling says.



These gobblers aren't excited about their Christmas prospects. They'll be bringing a slightly higher price this year, but a turkey dinner is still considered a good buy.

Turkey prices rise, but remain a good buy

Because of a cutback in production, turkey prices through the holiday season will be slightly higher than they were last year. But the bird is still a good buy if you're feeding a large number of guests.

"Turkey meat has more protein and less fat per ounce than any other type of meat, and it's low in calories," said Richard Balandier, Michigan State University Cooperative Extension Service poultry specialist.

Retail prices will average from 65 to 89 cents a pound. In some stores, prices will be lower to attract holiday shoppers.

"The reason for the broad price range is that several grocery stores have been using turkey as a loss leader," Balandier said. "Wholesale prices are ranging from 85 to 88 cents a pound."

Nationally, 169 million birds are being marketed, two million fewer than in 1983.

"The size of the national flock is smaller this year because 1983 was not profitable for the turkey industry. The number of turkeys in cold storage is also lower. But consumer demand is slightly greater this year than it was last year," Balandier said.

When shopping for turkey, figure ¾

Turkeys are still the best buy for the holiday season despite higher prices. These birds provide more protein with less fat and calories than other meats.

pound per person. For example, a 12-13 pound whole bird will feed approximately 15 people.

"About a decade ago, 90 percent of the turkey industry was in selling whole birds, with further processed products accounting for the other 10 percent," Balandier said. "Now, only 40 percent of the industry is in whole birds. Sixty percent is in the expanded, further processed product lines. These products are numerous and include turkey hot dogs, turkey pastami and rolled turkey."

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 A typewriter and radio went into the sack
 He greedily filled and put on his back
 But not before throwing a butt on the rug
 And snickering snidely, "Bah and humbug."*

There's nothing like Christmas. The anticipation, the tree, the friends and family. The snow, or the hoping for snow to make it all official. The feeling that everything will be all right. The memories, reflections and dreams of Christmases past.

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• Leave drapes and shades open to reflect normal household patterns.

• Turn down the volume on your phones. Constant ringing advertises your absence.

• If you're going to be away for an extended period, leave a car parked in your driveway. Make sure your snow is shoveled. Cancel all deliveries such as newspapers. Have a friend or neighbor pick up your mail and use your trash cans.

During the holiday season, fire is also a threat to your property and your life. You might do well to ask yourself the following hard questions: Have I taken the proper safety precautions regarding my Christmas tree? Do I know life-saving fire escape procedures in case I do have a fire?

Here are some Christmas fire prevention and life-saving hints:

• Keep Christmas trees away from open flames.

• Turn off Christmas tree lights when you go to bed and when you leave your home.

• Keep the tree well watered.

• Don't put a tree near space heaters.

• Be sure all electrical appliances and tree lights are UL-tested.

• Always sleep with the bedroom or hall door closed. Closed doors can keep flames out long enough for you to escape through a window.

• Agree on a way everyone can com-



While enjoying all the good things of the Christmas season, don't forget to play it safe. Protect your new presents by taking precautions against theft and Christmas tree fires.

municate during a fire. Use a whistle, knock on walls, or just yell.

• Don't waste time getting dressed or grabbing belongings.

• Check doors for intense heat or invading smoke before opening. If smoke is coming in around the edges, or if the door is hot, don't try to open it.

• When you've determined it's safe, open the door carefully, with shoulder braced against it and head to one side.

Open slightly and be ready to close quickly if heat and smoke rush in.

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Outside the church is Manger Square, which on Christmas Eve is jammed with people; the area is closed to traffic. From about 6 p.m. to midnight, choirs from all over the world sing carols and sacred music. The midnight Catholic Mass is relayed onto a large television screen outside in the square.

Coordinated radio and television transmissions broadcast the event live to

millions of people around the world.

The church was built by the Emperor Constantine in A.D. 330, rebuilt by the Emperor Justinian in the sixth century and restored in 1671 and 1842.

It is believed to be the oldest functioning Christian church.

WHEN THE Arabs drove out the Byzantines in 614, they are said to have destroyed virtually every church in the land except the Church of the Nativity because they regarded the Three Kings depicted in mosaic over the entrance as their own. It is also said that a local artist anticipated the Arabs by dressing the Wise Men up Arab-style.

Like Caesar's ancient Gaul, the Church of the Nativity is divided into three parts,

different but interconnected sections controlled by the Greek Orthodox, Roman Catholic and Armenian Orthodox Christians in accordance with the Status Quo agreement reached in 1757 at the instigation of the Ottoman Turks, who ruled the Holy Land at the time.

The crypt where Jesus is believed to have been born lies in a vault under the main floor of the church in the Grotto of the Nativity. Access to the grotto, which is about 12 meters long and three meters wide, is down steps on either side of the main hall, its walls covered with ancient tapestries.

A silver star in a niche at the eastern end of the chamber marks the spot where Jesus is believed to have been born, bearing the Latin inscription, "Hic de virgine Maria Jesus Christus natus est" — "Jesus Christ was born of the Virgin Mary."

Nearby is the Milk Grotto, where legend says a rock turned white when drops of Mary's milk fell upon it as she nursed her child.

ON THE south side of the church a marble-covered niche in the rock is vener-

ated as the site of the manger.

Greek Orthodox, Armenian and Catholic crosses on the church overlook the square. Across the street is the Vienna Restaurant and Bar and a line of gift shops. Fruit, vegetables as well as mother-of-pearl and olive wood products from Bethlehem workshops are sold in Manger Square and the winding alleys facing the church.

The church is entered by a sixth century Justinian gate, a 12th century arched Crusader gate and a more recent entrance constructed less than five feet high to hinder Moslems who used to ride into the church on horseback to disrupt services.

Even on an ordinary day, the smell of incense fills the church.

Although Jesus lived in Nazareth, according to the Bible, to the north in Galilee, he was born in Bethlehem because Joseph, his father, had to register for the Roman-ordered census in Bethlehem at a time when Mary was expecting a child.

The census was ordered by Quirinius, governor of Syria, the Roman province that included present-day Israel.

Eat, drink in moderation

From Dr. Seymour Diamond, executive director of the National Migraine Foundation, comes some advice that may ease the discomfort of holiday celebrants:

Drink and eat in moderation. If alcohol consistently causes a headache or if you suffer from migraines, don't drink.

Before or after an evening of drinking, eat some honey. This supplies fructose, which will help your body metabolize the alcohol you've ingested and reduce hangover symptoms.

Caffeine in coffee may give relief for hangover headache and shorten the pain period. If you're a migraine sufferer, ergotamine, which constricts the blood vessels, also may help.

Drink fluids containing minerals and salt — like a salty bouillon, for example — to relieve dehydration. Large amounts of water won't do the job and may increase nausea and vomiting.

The citric acid in orange or tomato juice may cause further nausea.

Portable power for radios television sets — even hats!

By Penny Wright
special writer

Looking for energy-saving gifts this Christmas? Don't limit your search to the ordinary like caulk and weatherstripping.

This season's yuletide shoppers will find a host of gifts that combine utility with a hint of luxury. The reasoning is that once we have done the basics of buttoning up the home against the cold, conservation-minded consumers will turn to the frills and extras of the energy saver's world.

Gadget lovers will find a trend in energy technology toward personal power systems. The systems, powered by photovoltaic cells, provide users with a portable power source for radios, TV, pumps and other small electrical equipment.

Photovoltaic cells (also known as solar cells) directly convert sunlight into electricity. When numbers of cells are linked together to form panels, varied amounts of electrical power can be obtained. Boaters find the panels useful for operating lights, cabin fans, bilge pumps, and recharging batteries. Portable power systems are available at Encon Energy Center, 27600 Schoolcraft, in Livonia, and retail for \$70 to \$300.

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sured of cool breezes no matter how high outdoor temperatures soar. The hat retails for \$89.95.

Since many energy sophisticates dial the furnace down each night, remedies for beating nighttime chills can't go wrong.

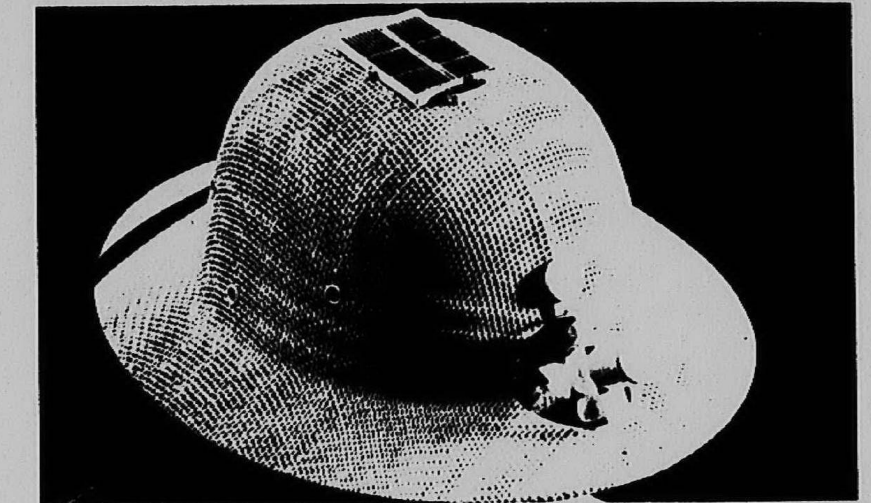
Comforters have long been considered effective chill chasers. The fluffy filler traps and holds body heat. Polyester and goose down are both good insulators, although down carries a better warmth-to-weight ratio.

Cotton flannel sheets offer benefits similar to comforters only at lower cost. Here again, natural fibers of cotton trap warm air and keep sleepers toasty. Jacobson's carries a line of Belgian flannel sheets that sell from \$16 for twin bed sizes to \$26 for king-size beds.

THE CHRISTMAS catalog of L.L. Bean, Freeport, Maine, features an interesting twist to sleeping comfort, a quilted cotton/wool mattress pad. The pad is manufactured in West Germany and sells for \$50 to \$95.

Draft dodgers are a favorite decorator item for reducing drafts around doors and windows. The lovely characters with long insulation-filled bodies are available in gift shops for \$5.50.

For year-round energy savings consider giving an insulated coffee carafe. The idea is to store freshly brewed coffee in a thermos carafe as an alternative to reheating coffee. A version called "Coffee Butler" retails for \$24.95 at Perry Drugs.



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Holidays are boom times for credit card fraud

Law enforcement officials have spent years urging people not to carry around large sums of cash. There is nothing more tempting to an itchy-fingered thief than the sight of a bulging wallet or someone pulling out his money clip and flashing a stack of \$50 and \$100 bills.

Today, credit cards are used to purchase holiday gifts, cover a night out on the town and to put gas into cars.

But credit card fraud and counterfeiting have become a profitable business. Loss estimates from fraud have tripled in the last five years, totaling nearly \$2 billion annually. And, according to Dictograph Security Information Bureau, plastic money rackets have become so profitable

that organized crime has begun to claim a larger piece of the action.

"There is no way to guarantee that you won't become the victim of a credit card fraud scheme," said Bill Mabee, former police chief and director of the bureau.

But there are pointers that can help make yourself a less likely target of credit card crime, particularly during the holiday season.

"USE COMMON sense," Mabee said. "You wouldn't give a total stranger a signed check without writing in a dollar amount. So why sign a credit card receipt blindly without even taking a moment to study the entered total and the arithmetic?"

tic? Yet that's precisely what many people do, especially when they feel rushed in a holiday shopping line."

Dictograph recommends that when a credit card bill arrives, it is important to check each notation item by item, comparing each entry to corresponding sales receipts. It will take a little extra labor at this point, but this is really the only way to identify the most subtle and costly forms of credit card fraud.

Mabee suggests that customers insist that salespeople turn over the credit card, receipt and carbon paper after the transaction.

"Take a minute to rip up the carbon paper bit by bit and do the same with all other transaction slips that were discarded due to errors. This way, a credit card thief can't get your card number and signature style."

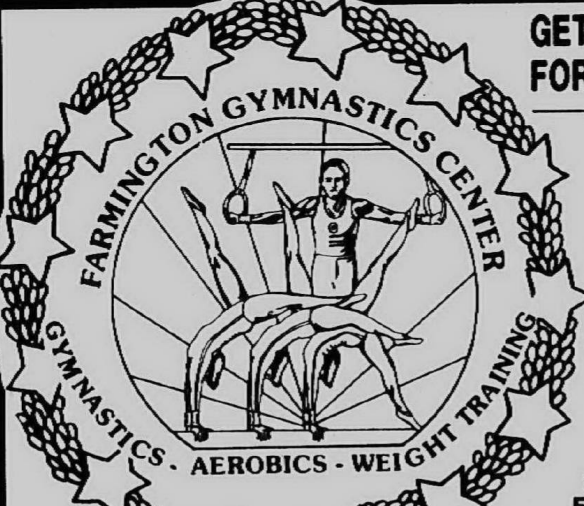
Another tip is to empty your wallet of credit cards which are never used.

"If you lose or misplace this type of inactive credit card, it could be weeks until you notice," Mabee said. "In the meantime, credit card criminals could translate those weeks into a long list of holiday purchases that will be billed to you."

Dictograph suggests that credit card customers write down the account numbers of all cards and keep the information in a safe place. Should credit cards be lost, misplaced or stolen, they ought to be canceled immediately.

"Don't believe callers who claim they found your missing wallet and credit cards and are returning them by mail in the next day or two. In that short time your credit cards could mean a bonanza for a criminal."

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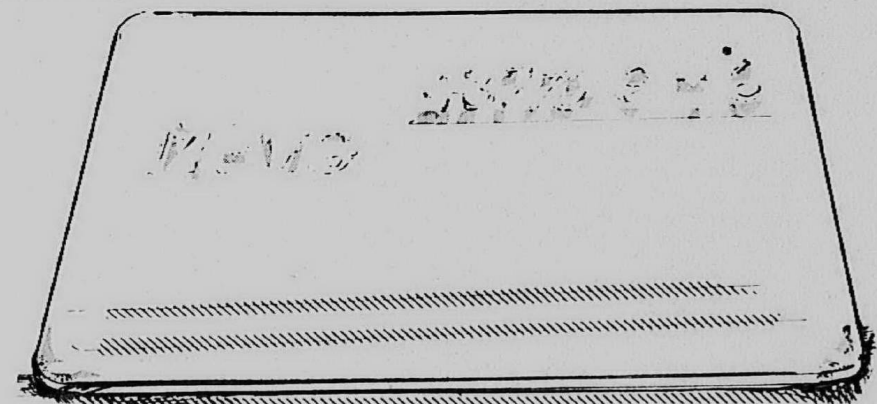
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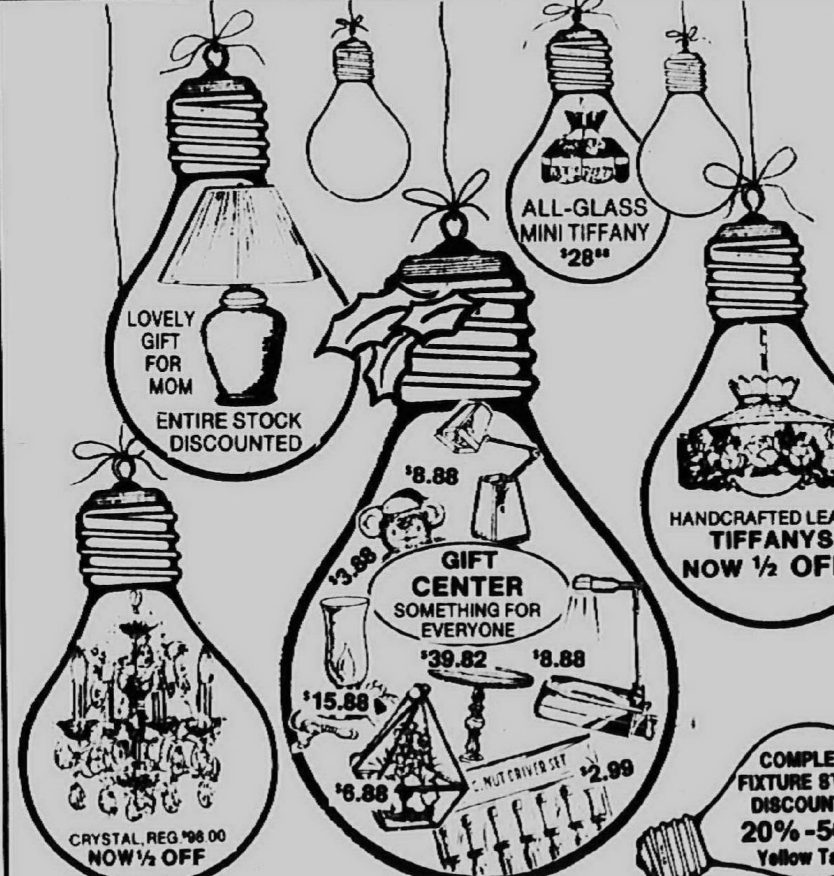
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Ginger adds snap to Christmas treats

As the holiday season approaches, thoughts of delectable sweet foods dance merrily through our imaginations in anticipation. And what better represents the sweet side of Christmas than the decorative gingerbread men, who have become a longstanding part of Christmas tradition.

Somehow a ginger-flavored dessert always manages to find its way on to holiday tables everywhere, whether it is ginger cookies, cakes, snaps, or gingerbread, they are always a part of the holiday lore.

According to "The Dictionary of American Foods & Drink" by John Mariani, ginger is the native plant of tropical and subtropical regions of Asia, especially Indomalaysia.

The ginger root was used frequently by the ancient Romans but nearly disappeared and was considered practically extinct in Europe after the fall of the Roman Empire. It was later brought back into vogue (as a rare and expensive spice) by famed explorer Marco Polo, who retrieved the pungent spice from the Orient.

The gingerbread man has a unique history of its own, as its origins have been traced back to Queen Elizabeth I of England, who was responsible for inventing "a cookie in the shape of a man" which became especially popular at Christmas time.

There is an interesting history surrounding the actual making of gingerbread.

Artists sculpted detailed molds depicting

ing everyday scenes from the lifestyles of the rich, for whom the gingerbreads were made in the 16th century.

The 17th century added gingerbread etchings of the wealthy bourgeois, who along with the rich, were the only patrons who could afford the costly gingerbread designs.

Finally, during the 15th century, gingerbread was made inexpensively enough to be offered at carnivals and fairs, extending the delights of gingerbread even to the most common of folk.

Nowadays, gingerbread is considered deeply enmeshed in the history of traditional American cooking. And with Christmas fast approaching, gingerbread people not only make for a unique dessert idea, but also make the most lovely ornaments for your Christmas tree.

The recipe below for gingerbread cookies, supplied from the "Recipes from the Raleigh Tavern Bake Shop," published by The Colonial Williamsburg Foundation, can easily be transformed to gingerbread people with the aid of a good mold.

GINGERBREAD COOKIES
(50-60 cookies)

1 cup sugar
2 tps ginger
1 tsp nutmeg
1 tsp cinnamon
¼ tsp salt
1½ tsp baking soda
1 cup margarine, melted
½ cup evaporated milk



Costumed bakers mix their dough by hand, and bake bread, cookies and gingerbread men daily in brick ovens at the Raleigh Tavern bakery in Williamsburg, Va.

1 cup unsulfured molasses
¾ tsp vanilla extract (optional)
¾ tsp lemon extract (optional)
4 cups stone-ground or unbleached flour, unsifted

Combine the sugar, ginger, nutmeg, cinnamon, salt and baking soda. Mix well. Add the melted margarine, evaporated milk and molasses. Add the extracts if desired. Mix well. Add the flour 1 cup at a

time, stirring constantly. The dough should be stiff enough to handle without sticking to fingers. Knead the dough for a smoother texture. Add up to ¼ cup additional flour if necessary to prevent sticking. When the dough is smooth, roll it out ¼ inch thick on a floured surface and cut it into cookies. Bake on floured or greased cookie sheets in a preheated 375-degree oven for 10 to 12 minutes. The cookies are done if they spring back when touched.

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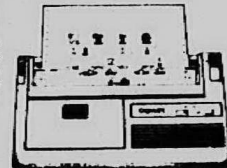
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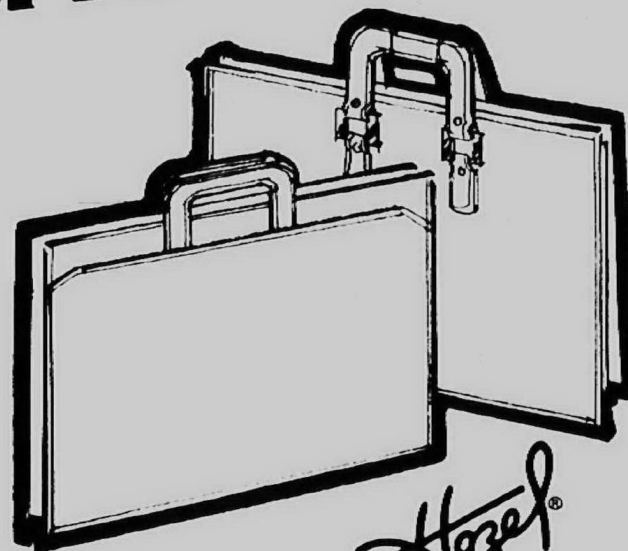
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The special serenity of gliding across a smooth lake of ice has been popular for centuries. Skates have been steadily improved from wooden to modern steel, making it easier for skaters like these to enjoy the sting of fresh cold air as they twirl, zip and slide through a twilight winter wonderland.

For utility to recreation, love of skating grows

Scenes of a winter wonderland, bare trees suddenly outlined with the beautiful trim of white snowflakes and translucent icicles dripping from their branches.

Frozen ponds and lakes are framed by snowy picturesque scenery, images which can be easily pictured during the season of winter.

Children playing, stumbling in bulky winter clothing, taking their first careful steps on the ice, then becoming more daring, attempting to glide and prance with the aid of their new skates.

They try to imitate the people they see, moving with such grace and ease, only to take a number of painful spills, but getting up and trying again, determined to master the skates and the ice.

Like so many other American pastimes, ice skating finds its origins in another culture. Originally developed in Scandinavia, skating was devised as a means of transportation over the ice and encrusted snow. This dates back to the second century.

IT IS virtually impossible to set an exact date to when skating originated. The oldest surviving ice skate made in Sweden was constructed sometime between the eighth and the 10th centuries. The skate was constructed with a piece of cow rib attached to leather thongs.

Skating had already developed into a popular pastime in England by the 12th century. According to "A Description of London," published in 1180, the practice of ice skating was quite common.

"Many young men play upon the ice; some striding as wide as they do slide swiftly..."

It was not until the 14th and 15th century that the infamous wooden skate appeared. Now immortalized by Holland's

Hans Brinker, the wooden runners faced with iron and attached to wooden shoes were the usual fashion on frozen ponds and waterways.

But the wooden skates hindered speed and were flat and cumbersome, tying about the foot and ankle. The blade of the skate practically equaled the width of the shoe. By the onset of the 1600s, several European countries had developed skates made of iron.

THE IRON gripped the ice far better than its wooden counterpart and increased the speed of the skater drastically, making traveling (the original purpose of the skates) far easier.

After the development of the metal skate, the popularity of skating soared during the 17th and 18th century. Such trend-setters as Marie Antoinette made skating the vogue in France.

The development of the ice skate as we know it today, really began in the 1800s. It was during that time that most of the skate innovations were made, especially in securing the skate to the foot.

More than 200 patents were granted for the general improvements to ice skates in the United States alone. It was a Philadelphia, E.W. Bushnell, in 1850, who created the all metal skate.

With just a few changes in the construction of the shoe, ice skates have evolved into the skates we use today.

Begun as a means of transportation and then a form of recreation, ice skating has also moved into the world of professional sports: in particular, professional ice hockey, as well as figure and speed skating.

Even if the Dutch can't take credit for the original development of the ice skate,

they have been instrumental in the speed skating competition, having introduced the sport over 200 years ago.

Figure skating competitions got their start in the late 1870s in London and were introduced into the Olympics in 1908.

Hockey was introduced by the Dutch in 1670, and the first organized hockey game took place, appropriately, in Ontario, Canada, in 1855. The National Hockey League was formed in 1917, and has flourished ever since.



A winter scene

When the sun sets on Dec. 21, winter will officially be here. The first winter sunset of 1984 could look like this, or the tree limbs might be covered with white stuff. At any event, it may provide a time of quiet reflection for many. Actually, winter's official arrival will be marked at 11:23 a.m. that day, the exact time of the winter solstice when the sun is farthest south of the equator.

Quick crafts gain favor

In today's fast-paced, mass-produced world, homemade items have become increasingly cherished commodities. Everything from homemade candies to hand-crafted afghans are enjoying heightened interest and appreciation. Time may be limited, but there are numerous quick and easy projects designed to help the "one-minute-manager" capture the beauty and pleasures of crafts.

Along with the personal satisfaction of self-made items, the handicrafter can realize substantial savings, according to Robert Gatti, vice president of merchandising for Frank's Nursery and Crafts. Frank's is projecting a 20 percent increase in 1984 craft sales.

Crafters can "draw a bead" on the latest fashion look, the multi-strand twisted beaded necklace. Over the years, the fashion industry has rediscovered beads in various forms. From the pearls of the '50s to the hippie necklaces of the '60s and the Bo Derek hairstyles of the '70s, beads have been at the forefront of fashion. Today, you can make a twist necklace in just a few minutes for a third less than the ready-made price. Choose from pre-strung beads, tubular glass beads or pearls.

From personal fashion to home fashion, handicrafters will find manufacturers attuned to their needs. The country look remains one of the strongest trends in home furnishings, moving away from the American primitive toward a Victorian, country

feel with a softer appearance. Smaller print fabrics, dusty pastel colors and use of ribbons and lace are more popular than ever.

CRAFTS PROJECTS that typify the country look, such as metalpunching, stenciling, basketmaking, ribboncraft and needlework are easier to create with new "quickie projects." These projects contain pre-cut pieces, scaled-down sizes and ready-to-finish projects with completion times of less than one hour. Learning new crafting skills while enhancing one's home decor can be simple and fun.

Handcrafted items make special gifts for newborn babies and young children. From afghans to soft-sculptured dolls, even the novice crafter can create a treasured heirloom in just a few hours. Numerous kits are available, as well as open stock, offering a wide selection of projects to furnish baby's room, fill in baby's layette or fill up a child's toy chest.

The warmth of the holiday season and the joy of giving come early to those who appreciate celebrating with crafts. Homemade ornaments, decorations, candies and other craft items add a special touch to one's home and to gift giving.

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Oh Tannenbaum!

The warmth of the holiday always seems to center around the Christmas tree. The presents are set about for children to tear into on that special morning. Friends and family gather around the soft colors of the lights and toast another year's end.

Many take credit for Christmas tree

An estimated 68 percent of the living rooms of America will display decorated Christmas trees this holiday. This beloved yule-season tradition brings the evergreen, its fragrance and its ancient symbol of immortality into the lives of the Christian community.

The German people have been given credit for using the first decorated and lighted tree, but the idea goes further back into history.

It is recorded that during the Roman period trees were decorated with lighted oil lamps and swinging toys. The same claim has been made by Egyptian historians for that culture.

Primitive people believed that their gods dwelt in nature. They especially revered trees and felt the strongest spirits lived in them.

Henry Van Dyke tells in his story, "The First Christmas Tree," about the Druids' introduction to the Christmas tree. They were about to offer a young prince in sacrifice to the spirit of a sacred oak tree. The prince was saved from his untimely death by the missionary Winfried. The crowd gathered around him as he begged them not to worship the heathen forest gods any longer.

WINFRIED TOLD the Druids of the birth of Christ, pointed to a small fir tree and asked them to take it into their homes and celebrate the birth date of the Christ child.

The most oft-repeated story about our yule tree is about the reformer, Martin Luther (1483-1546).

The traditional story is that as Luther was walking home one Christmas Eve, the night was so filled with bright stars peeking through the majestic evergreens that he was lost for words when he tried to share this experience with his family.

He returned to the forest, cut down a small fir, brought it into his house and placed lighted tapers on its branches. This he later said represented for him that beautiful night sky above the manger when Christ was born.

Some clergy objected to Christmas trees as late as the 18th century. Sermons were preached on their evil because people spent more time decorating their yule tree than they did reading their Bible.

Pastor Henry Schwan has the honor of putting the first Christmas tree in a

church. This was in 1851. For his troubles, he had several of his staunchest members threaten to defrock him and harm him if he ever again brought such a pagan practice into the church. After some research he published a paper proving it was a Christian rite, and shortly objections ceased.

TWENTY YEARS later, lavishly trimmed trees were common and the feature attraction of the typical Christmas Eve Sunday school program. Many people can remember the silver sound of sleigh bells, a quiet hush and then the sound of Santa's boots coming up the wooden steps of the village church. In his pack he brought such gifts as hard candy, popcorn balls or oranges.

Germany has contributed much to our yuletide celebrations, and they have as the center of their festivities their Christmas tree. On Christmas Eve, at the right moment, a door is thrown open for the children to view the trimmed tree in all of its glory. Decorated with glittering stars, dolls dressed as angels, sweetmeats, tinsel, painted cookies and handmade toys, it can only bring delight to all.

Father then reads the familiar story from the Bible, presents are exchanged, and all join together to sing such Christmas favorites as "O Tannenbaum, O Tannenbaum!" and "Stille Nacht, Heilige Nacht!"

The first Christmas trees this side of the Atlantic were decorated by Germans, homesick Hessian mercenaries who had been hired by George III to put down the rebellious colonists. The custom, however, was not adopted by the colonists.

Much later, in 1843, a German professor at Harvard University, Charles Follen, is credited with having set up the first Christmas tree after the Hessians in his home in Cambridge, Mass.

The first decorations were quite simple and were described by Mrs. Follen as being strings of cranberries, popcorn, homemade chains of colored paper, candy canes, dolls and painted nuts. Small wax candles were put in tin holders and placed on the branches.

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