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Fest begins weekend of food and fun

It's that time of year to put our diets on hold for the weekend and take part in the smorgasbord served up at Plymouth's annual Fall Festival.

On the menu at The Gathering is chicken, veal, spaghetti and steak. Booths along Main Street will offer up everything from hot dogs to Italian sausage.

The event gets going at 5:30 p.m. Thursday and continues until 6 p.m. Sunday. During the four days, the event is expected to attract thousands of visitors to Plymouth. (See our special section on the Fall Festival inside of today's paper.)

According to the National Weather Service, Mother Nature will be in a cooperative mood for the most of the weekend.

The mid-week long-range forecast calls for a weekend of fairly mild weather and fair conditions.

"We're looking at high pressure over the southern lakes, so it looks like it'll be fairly mild with fair conditions and below-normal temperatures," said Gail Hartfield, meteorologist trainee with the National Weather Service at Detroit Metropolitan Airport.

Hartfield said there'll be a chance of thundershowers tomorrow with a high Friday in the mid-80's.

"The high on Saturday should be in the mid-70's, and our computers are calling for a high of 73 on Sunday with clear skies," she said.

But even if there is some wet weather, it will be dry at The Gathering on Penniman across from Kellogg Park. That's where most of the major events will be held.

For those who can't make it to all the events or who would like to

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FILE PHOTO/staff photographer

There are plenty of ways to kick up your heels at Plymouth's Fall Festival which starts today and ends Sunday.

Church has good location

As new site for Arts Council

By Kevin Brown
staff writer

Old Village backers are trying to encourage the Plymouth Community Arts Council to seek a new headquarters in an Old Village church.

"It already has an office, air conditioning, classrooms, it's been renovated recently, it's ready to go," said Mark Oppat, Old Village Association president.

And for Old Village, "It would really be a nice thing, it would put the icing on the cake," Oppat said.

The property is the Praise Chapel Church of God at 585 N. Mill. While it's not for sale right yet, "The church is going to go on the market," said Pastor Rod Trusty, as church members are seeking land in town on which to build a new church.

Last week, the city commission agreed to explore a possible addition to the Plymouth Cultural Center to house galleries and classroom space for the arts council.

Arts council director Kay Jaeger, who has toured the Praise Chapel Church with Oppat, said it was too early to talk about which facility the council likes best. "I think the arts council is trying to pursue all options and see what's available," she said.

Oppat said that if the arts council opted for the church site, those who use the facility would be closer to restaurants and shops.

The arts council board was scheduled to tour the church on Wednesday.

Trusty said the church was appraised at \$379,000 last year. Since then, "We have done some improvements, and there's been a year's escalation in property values," he said.

The arts council had sought to use the Wilcox Mill in Hines Park, but that would have required "a significant amount of renovation and costs for upkeep," said City Manager Gordon Jaeger.

The arts council is seeking state grant money to pay for a place to locate an office, gallery and classrooms.

The council awards more than \$3,000 each year to talented local

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Fowl image

Barbecue is nothing to squawk about

By Kevin Brown
staff writer

You don't need to publicize it, we said. The Rotary Club Chicken Barbecue, at noon Sunday at Kellogg Park, has long been a feature of Plymouth's Fall Festival. Everybody knows about it, we said.

If you cook them, they will come, we said. But he's an ornery, persistent — and, dare we add, loud-mouthed old rooster.

Of course, we're talking about none other than Foghorn Leghorn, of Warner Brothers cartoon fame. He's the self-appointed executive director of publicity for the event.

SO WE agreed to the story, if only to quiet him down.

Q. Well Mr. Leghorn, how did you come to head publicity for the chicken barbecue?

A. "I say, I say son, the business, the cartoon business — it ain't what it used to be. And all I hear, I say, all I hear around the ol' henhouse is, 'Foghorn, when are you gonna get a job?' It's about to drive, I say, drive a poor boy crazy, all the time nag, nag, nag..."

Q. Ahem. Well Mr. Leghorn, it does seem that a fowl celebrity, I mean, celebrity fowl like yourself could scratch out a good living by endorsing Kentucky Fried Chicken, Holly Farms or Chicken McNuggets. Get any offers?

A. (Clearing his crop) "No."

Q. We can't imagine why.

A. "WELL, YOU see, it's like this: My boy, everybody is into 'lite' this, lo-cal that, exercise — you understand what I'm tellin' you, boy? Well, them high-falutin' executives are sayin' ol' Foghorn is a might too hefty — I mean fat, boy — to represent their product. They say people will think their chicken is unhealthy if this ol' bird's picture is on the box. It's hogwash, son, hogwash. I mean, I say boy, I've never been (clears crop) sick a day (clears crop again) in my life!" (Coughs several times.)

Q. Here's a glass of water, Mr. Leghorn.

A. "Thank you, son. (He drinks.) Say boy, you wouldn't have anything a little stronger for ol' Foghorn to sip on now, would you?"

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Student 'skips' school to follow sun down under

By Kevin Brown
staff writer

Unlike her University of Michigan classmates, Plymouth's Paula Finnegan will spend part of the fall semester driving a solar-powered car through the Australian desert.

Because the U-M Sunrunner solar car finished first July 19 in the General Motors Sunrace USA, it qualified to run in the World Solar Challenge, which begins Nov. 11.

The race opens in Darwin in northern Australia, and finishes in Adelaide, 1,900 miles to the south.

Finnegan, 21, said it's OK that she's delaying the start of her senior year for another semester.

"I'm not ready to take classes at all."

THAT'S UNDERSTANDABLE. Last June, the Sunracer team — Finnegan designed the interior and was one of two students sharing the driving — tested the car from sunup to sundown at the Michigan International Speedway.

The July 9-19 race was grueling, and preparations are constantly under way for the World Solar Challenge.

"When we crossed the finish line it was a relief," Finnegan said of the GM Sunrace USA win.

WHILE THE U-M car had a comfortable lead as the race neared its end, a chain slipped off the main drive of the Sunrunner, forcing a delay.

"We decided to take it off and run on the second motor."

'We're contacting all of our previous sponsors, and contacting a lot of automotive firms — just a lot of phone work and a few presentations.'

— Paula Finnegan

Along the race route, Florida to Michigan, it would be striking to see "families on their front lawns with video cameras, and kids jumping up and down."

As Finnegan waited in the solar car at city traffic lights, "People would be peering inside — they couldn't see me because of the reflective coating — saying, 'Is there somebody in there?'"

When the race ended, "I was zonked; we all were, the whole team."

BUT SOON, the team was considering improvements for the car.

"It weighed 575 pounds in the last race, we want to get it down to 500 pounds in this race."

One reason for improvements is stiffer competition this time, including solar car entries from Honda, Toyota and other Japanese auto companies.

Plans call for reducing the windshield size, as Plexiglas weighs more than the body plastic; replacing some plastic parts with Mylar paper; and using lightweight titani-



JOHN DISCHER/staff photographer

Paula Finnegan of Plymouth is taking off a semester from the University of Michigan to devote time to the university's solar car entry in the World Solar Challenge in November in Australia.

um for some car parts.

ALSO, "WE'RE looking to raise another \$240,000," to pay for the project and trip to Australia.

"We're contacting all of our previ-

ous sponsors, and contacting a lot of automotive firms — just a lot of phone work and a few presentations. It's not nearly as fun as working on the car."

She'll be in charge of testing,

which begins Sept. 12. They'll leave Oct. 20 for Australia.

While the solar car project cuts into Finnegan's social life, "You learn how to get along with people, deal with industry, organize time."

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Foghorn touts barbecue

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Q. Sorry, sir, company rules.

A. "That's OK my boy, carry on."

Q. Well, Mr. Leghorn, we were wondering how you felt about all those chickens being, well, cooked this coming Sunday.

A. "MY BOY, (straightens up) it's an honor and a privilege, I say, a privilege, to serve these fine, upstandin' folks you have here (folds wing over heart). I just hope all your readers come down to the Fall Festival, and have a good ol' time."

Q. Well said, Mr. Leghorn. The interview's almost up, and . . .

A. "Son, I say son, just another

word or two, if you don't mind."

Q. Actually, it's getting late, and

A. "Son, I think it would be a fine thing if your city leaders saw fit to devote a portion of your fine historical museum, a wing, if you will — that's a joke, boy — to honor those chickens who've donated their services to these chicken barbecues."

Q. Mr. Leghorn, I think there's little chance . . .

A. "And I say son, could you put, I say, put a good word in for me at your fine Penn Theater. You see son, I got this idea, I say, I got this idea for a 'Foghorn Leghorn Festival,' and . . ."

Q. Thank you, Mr. Leghorn.

Festival begins today

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see what the festival looks like on television, Omnicom Cable will feature 26 hours of festival coverage.

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day, 4:30 p.m. until 10 p.m.; Friday, 4:30 p.m. until 10 p.m.; Saturday, noon until 9 p.m.; and Sunday, noon until 6 p.m.

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Driver narrowly misses house

Police were seeking a charge of leaving the scene of an accident against a 17-year-old Plymouth youth, after the car he was driving early Saturday nearly hit a house on Russell Street.

At the scene of the near auto-house collision, police said there were 60-foot skid marks and "severe turf damage." The car, spotted by neighbors after the 12:50 a.m. incident, was found by police in a nearby subdivision, according to the report filed with Plymouth Township police.

the SEMTA parking lot on Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth Township at 12:30 a.m., after police patrolling the area approached them.

Upon the Plymouth Township police sergeant's approach, the men climbed over a brick wall then ran into a nearby subdivision, the police report said.

At the lot, the sergeant noticed both front tires to a 1988 Ford LTD were flat. The report didn't say whether the men were suspected in the possible vandalism.

SUSPECTS FLEE: Two men fled the SEMTA parking lot on Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth Township at 12:30 a.m., after police patrolling the area approached them.

WINDOW SMASHED: A Plymouth Township man's driver's side car window was smashed late Friday or early Saturday, township police said.

crime watch

The damage, to the 1983 Chrysler parked on Dogwood, was estimated at \$120. Contents of the car were not taken, according to the police report, which stated there was no evidence at the scene suggesting who did the vandalism.

Old Village backers push church site

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students, grants \$6,200 annually to assist local teachers to create arts related projects, and contributes

more than \$4,000 annually for amateur and professional performances at school assemblies.

The council also pays for free per-

formances of music in Kellogg Park, art education classes for adults and kids, and staffs an art rental gallery in the Dunning Hough Library, among other projects.

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James Tokarz, 14, says even though a lot of things are changing, he doesn't see many differences between the freshmen of 1990 and the freshmen of 1980.



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twenty something

Today's young adults share concern

By M.B. Dillon
staff writer

The twenty-something generation: Fairly or unfairly, it's been characterized as an overly sensitive group that is responding in specific ways to having grown up in an era of drugs, divorce and economic strain.

These young adults — born during a time when the U.S. birthrate dropped to half the rate of its post-war peak — is postponing adulthood and delaying relationships in an effort to avoid hurt and risk.

Sometimes called "baby busters," these young people prefer short-term tasks that bring tangible results. They take a passive approach to overwhelming social problems have a taste for travel to exotic places.

What do they share with today's high school freshmen that sets them apart from older Americans?

HEALTHY DOSES of self-direction and a desire to obtain high-paying jobs in order to afford the finer things in life. And an enhanced awareness of the drug scene, AIDS, sex and a higher possibility of being victimized by crime.

Differences are emerging between the age groups as well. More of today's high school freshmen work.

"In many ways, there's more pressure to achieve academically," said Charlotte Sherman, assistant principal at John Glenn High School in Westland. "The guaranteed jobs aren't there, and they know it."

"More of them are going to work," she added. "Ten years ago, ninth and 10th graders never worked after school. Now it's very common. They assume more responsibility for earning a share of their expenses."

Agreed Dawn Virant, a ninth-grader at Garden City Junior High: "Most of my friends want to go to college and get a job so they can earn money. Earning a lot of money is a big thing. They want everything, like a big house, a nice car and the ability to travel. Younger kids are working so they don't have to depend on their parents for money. You need that to fit in."

Classmate Neil Marano said family ranks up there too, "because they do everything for you. The way you get these expensive clothes is usually through your parents."

"Being more materialistic is in," agreed Dan Murphy, a ninth-grader at Canton High School who plans to become an architectural engineer. "You have to have money to have fun."

JASON CHAPMAN, 14, of Plymouth points out that "with the way things are in the world with the rich getting richer, the poor getting poorer and the environment crumbling, there's not going to be a chance for everyone to earn \$100 million."

"I know I won't do much, but I want to help society. I know I sound like a parent, but I want to become a teacher because I like working with kids."

Jessica Olmeda, 14, of Canton Township wants to be rich "because we don't have a lot of money now. I want to be able to buy stuff. Then I want a family afterwards," said Olmeda, who plans a career in psychology.

A family isn't all-important to Canton ninth-grader Kathryn Yack.

"I just want to have a career. I'm afraid if I have a family I will neglect them. I want to be a well-known author and help people through writing, and that's a hard job."

Twenty-four-year-old Mary Kubiak has coached junior high and high school gymnastics and track in Westland since graduating from John Glenn High School.

Kubiak, who is single and owns her own home in Westland, said she thinks some of the characterizations about her generation are true.

"Personally, I agree that we try not to take too many risks," she said. And enjoying the good life is important to a lot of Kubiak's friends.

"A lot of my friends are like that.

To me it matters some, but not quite as much. A lot of people didn't go to our five-year reunion because they didn't have the things they wanted to have by that time. The more they have, the better it looks. They want to impress people," said Kubiak, who loads planes for Northwest Airlines.

KUBIAK HAS put off marriage and family because "I've seen too much. I've seen too many people who've not stayed together; too many men who have lost their kids because of divorce. I've even seen women who've lost their kids or are under too much of a strain raising kids on their own."

Bruce Ling, a 24-year-old medical student at the University of Michigan, says young people have options — unlike earlier generations who emigrated to this country and had no choice but to grow up.

"Kids have taken what their parents have given them and taken it for granted. I think that's where the perception is that maybe we haven't grown up. We haven't needed to."

Dr. Jerald Bachman surveys high school seniors each year with the University of Michigan Institute for Social Research.

He says materialism among the young reflects a national trend, but not necessarily a permanent one.

"People are arguing that this is not so much a 'me generation' as a 'me decade," he said. "We've had a period in our nation's history where we've been very much encouraged by our national leadership to go right on and consume and spend money and borrow against the future."

"Personally, I'd like to hope that the increased materialism that's shown up over the past decade or so in surveys of high school seniors doesn't represent a permanent difference, but differences in the national mood," Bachman said.

"I'm hoping those will change, and when they do change, that we won't be stuck with one generation of people moving through the whole life cycle permanently set on a materialistic mode."

AN ENCOURAGING trend is the decreasing popularity of drugs among high school seniors, added Bachman.

Pam Yockey has taught for 14 years and coached for 25 in southeastern Michigan school districts. She notes definite differences between today's high school freshmen and their counterparts of 1980.

Yockey's 1984 John Glenn High School graduates were dynamic, adult and very much in command of their lives, she said. "They have very high goals for themselves. They know exactly where they are going and what they are going to do. They don't have patience for the older generation right now."

Even if these young people have come from troubled backgrounds or have experienced serious problems, they bounce back and doggedly pursue their goals, she said. While they may be concerned about environmental and other issues, "they're still trying to set their life."

Today's freshman, says Yockey, are smarter, and a bit more street-wise.

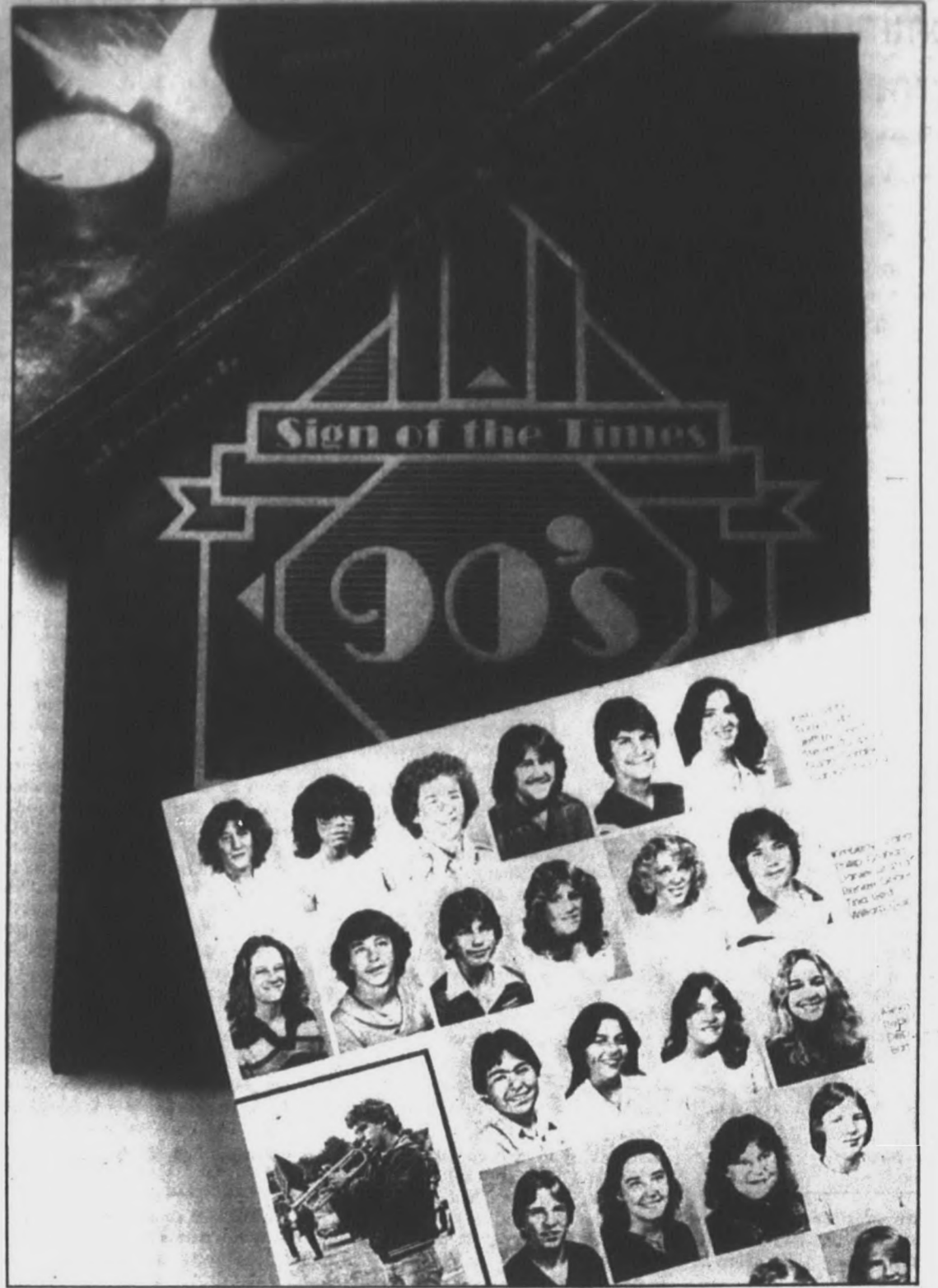
"They know a little more about drugs. It's no longer a drug scene just for kids. Now it's showing up in homes, and showing up in homes with parents. What's allowed on TV today I don't think we would have seen 10 years ago," she added.

While the younger generation hasn't lost its curiosity, "this group is not as adventurous," Yockey said. Many of them are growing up with less parental support and in single-parent households. Because the world has grown less safe, kids today are more restricted and are therefore not as adept at decision-making and acting independently. "Because they can't go out and experiment safely, they don't pick up on things. They wait for things to arrive in their laps."

For many of today's freshmen and teachers, the information explosion — which sees our total knowledge double every six weeks — is proving overwhelming, Yockey said.

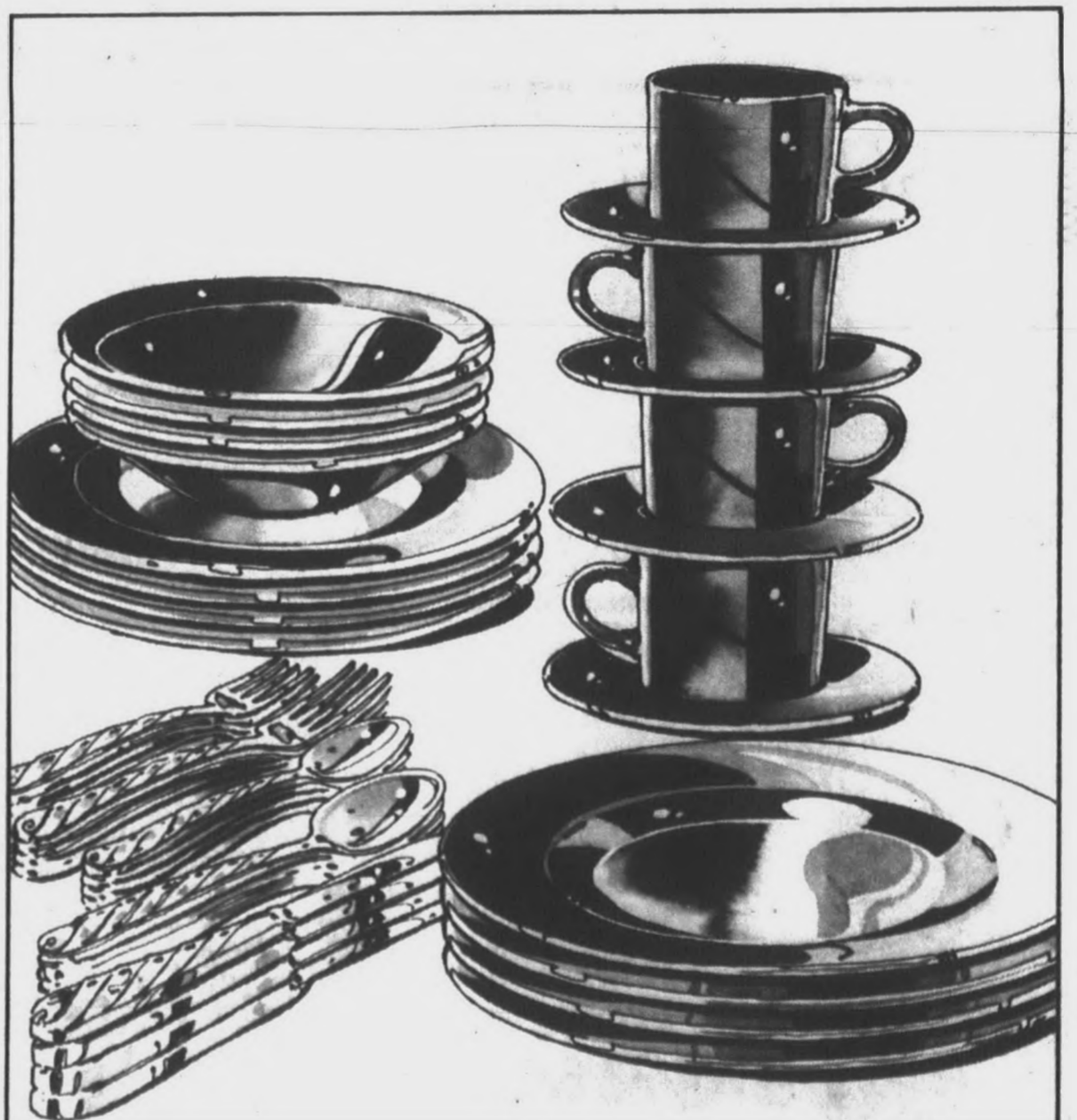
"We're expecting them to know so much. There's so much that kids today are going to have to be specialized."

"We have very high expectations for our kids, and want them always to do better than we did. Depending on the child, some kids can accept this, and come cannot. I enjoy them. They get smarter and more curious as the year goes on."



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The twenty-something generation shares something in common with today's high school freshmen: an increased desire for material things and a decreased desire for drugs when compared to the thirty-something crowd.



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Discussing what they want out of life, freshmen Kathryn Yack (left), Jessica Olmeda and Sarah Luebke said they don't all necessarily want to have children, but each of them wants a career.

Community Corner

This week's question:

Should there be mandatory drug testing for high school students?

We asked this question outside the U.S. Post Office in downtown Plymouth.



"No, I think it infringes on their rights. I think the high school kids can make a choice."
— Rachel Biedenbender
Mount Pleasant



"No, I think it's kind of far-fetched."
— Kris Rowe
Plymouth



"No, I feel that drug testing should not be done until kids are old enough to be in the workplace."
— Debbie Drinkhahn
Plymouth



"I don't believe it ought to be mandatory. I think it's needed in certain cases."
— Don Ruff
Plymouth



"No, because if they want to screw up their lives it's their own business."
— Romeo Hesano
Novi



"No, I just don't think it's fair that all students should have to do that."
— Linda Stults
Plymouth

Downriver, city residents moved thanks to I-275

By Wayne Peal
staff writer

It's a tale of two cities — or, rather a city and a township.

In Garden City, a small community settled more than a half century ago, city officials are looking for residents every way they can to boost census — even undertaking a vacancy rate comparison among 13 similar tri-county communities to show census officials their count was wrong.

But in sprawling Canton, which experienced a heavy population influx since the mid-1970s, growth is a given.

But are newer western Wayne County suburbs gaining at older suburbs' expense?

That's not entirely true, according to one independent observer.

"There's some community-to-community migration, as people seek to move up," said Doug Courtney, president of the Western Wayne Oakland Board of Realtors. "But people are coming from all over."

Canton's population swelled from an influx of downriver residents, Courtney said, as well as from people transferred from outstate and out-of-state communities.

"There's a lot of industrial development in that area and that brings in transferees," Courtney said.

Opening of I-275 in the late 1970s paved the way for residential growth in the county's farthest western regions over the 1980s, Courtney said.

"There's no question I-275 was a major factor," he said.

Population loss in older suburbs, he said, is due

more to a graying population than move-outs. "From my own personal feeling, I'd have to say it was due to children leaving the nest," Courtney said.

Garden City officials agree. "If you look, you'll see we don't have any abandoned building as," city manager Jon Austin said.

Rental study results showed Garden City vacancy rates far below those of Dearborn Heights, Oak Park, East Detroit and other surveyed communities, Austin added.

But while older communities struggle to maintain their current population, Canton is more than happy with it's growth.

"Growth can create problems, but we feel we've prepared for it well," township spokesman Dan Calabrese said. "In fact, we welcome growth."

A shifting population

Here's a look at the preliminary figures from the 1990 census:

	1980 (actual)	1990 (estimate)	% of change
Canton	48,616	57,643	+18.5
Garden City	35,640	31,768	-11.0
Livonia	104,814	100,443	-4.2
Plymouth	9,986	9,229	-7.6
Plymouth Twp.	23,028	23,567	+2.3
Redford	58,441	54,216	-7.3
Westland	84,603	84,433	-0.3

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

City officials say Plymouth, county undercounted

By Wayne Peal
staff writer

Like many western Wayne County communities, Garden City didn't believe its preliminary U.S. census results.

But city officials didn't wait a second in preparing their appeal. Instead, they went out and counted homesites on their own.

"We know the census is off," city manager Jon Austin said. "There's about 30 blocks (out of 560) that weren't counted."

Garden City isn't alone in protesting its preliminary census figures. Many western Wayne County com-

munities are filing a recount.

Officials in Livonia, Redford, Westland, Plymouth and Plymouth Township have all asked census-takers to look again at their communities.

Even though Canton officials won't appeal their community's fast-rising census they, too, believe the numbers are below what they should be.

"It's hard to argue with the kind of gain we've showed, but we still feel we're closer to 60,000 people," township spokesman Dan Calabrese said. Preliminary Canton figures show a population of 57,643, an increase of over 9,000 from 1980. (For addi-

tional census figures, see related chart.)

INACCURATE census figures are the result of a number of factors, including residents' failure to file forms and miscounts by field workers.

But there's only one reason community leaders are filing their appeals — money.

Loss of a single person can cost a community as much as \$200 in state and federal aid. For communities showing heavy losses, potential aid cuts could run into hundreds of thousands of dollars.

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PAC rates candidates in MSU trustee race

By Tim Richard
staff writer

The Green and White Political Action Committee will get a test of its clout this weekend when the two major parties nominate candidates for the Michigan State University board.

"We determined which candidates are qualified to seek the nominations," said Kevin A. Kelly, chair of the 13-member panel of mostly MSU alumni.

Three of five interviewed candidates received the "qualified" rating:

• Larry Owen, incumbent Democrat seeking re-election, an East Lansing attorney.

• Dee Cook, of Greenville, a Republican already tapped by gubernatorial nominee John Engler for the ticket.

• Gerald M. Finch, a certified public accountant from Jackson who has audited MSU's books.

Engler, however, passed over Finch's name and Tuesday picked retired MSU administrator John Shingleton of East Lansing to run for the MSU board.

AMONG MEMBERS of Green and White PAC are veterinarian Dr. John Richardson, former mayor of Farmington and past president of the state veterinary medicine association, and Bruce McCristal, of Bloomfield Hills, an industrial executive.

One member, associated with Engler, didn't take part in the interviews. Others are business and professional people, Democrats and Republicans, from around the state. Kelly is executive director of the Michigan State Medical Society.

"Later we'll interview the actual nominees," said Kelly, "and make our endorsements. The total we have to contribute will be \$10,000 to \$15,000.

Green and White PAC's "qualified" list was circulated to the candidates, party chairs and state party committee members.

Sixteen people wrote to the PAC but only five sought interviews, Kelly said.

THE GREEN and White PAC was born in 1987 and rejuvenated this

year in the wake of several controversies at MSU.

The biggest was the board's 5-3 decision to give football coach George Perles the additional job of athletic director over the objection of President John DiBiaggio.

Others had to do with closed meetings of the board, athletes on steroids, a tuition increase that prompted Gov. James Blanchard to veto MSU's appropriation, and a shantytown protest.

Richardson said MSU must have

excellent governance because of its next-door location to the state capital. The campus newspaper is distributed free in the Capitol Building.

The PAC seeks candidates who preferably are alumni or have a demonstrated interest in MSU, have management and fiscal experience and be "team players."

A 1988 candidate had no ties to MSU. And there is great disagreement in political circles, Richardson added, as to how deeply board members should be involved in day-to-day campus business.

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obituaries

RICKY C. KIRBY

Services for Ricky C. Kirby, 39, of Plymouth Township were Saturday, Sept. 1, at Lambert-Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home. Burial was in Cadillac Memorial Gardens West, Westland.

Mr. Kirby is survived by his wife, Caroline S. Kirby of Plymouth Township; son, Christopher Kirby of Plymouth Township; brother, Marty L. Kirby of Plymouth; sister, Shellia Gunn of Canton Township; several aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews; parents, Cloyd and Opal Kirby of Plymouth Township; and grandmother, Grace Jerden of Hornbeak, Tenn.

Mr. Kirby was born Sept. 15, 1950, in Hornbeak, Tenn. He died Thursday, Aug. 30 in Ann Arbor. He was a

construction machine operator. The Rev. Ron Trusty of Praise Chapel Church of God in Plymouth officiated the service.

RAYMOND I. DUFFIN

Services were held for Mr. Duffin, 71, of Westland on Tuesday, Sept. 4, at Divine Savior Catholic Church, Westland, with burial in Mount Olivet Cemetery, Detroit.

Mr. Duffin is survived by his son, James A. Duffin of Detroit; three daughters, Mary C. Griffith of Canton, Elizabeth I. Duffin of Dearborn and Therese A. Stachurski of West Bloomfield; three grandchildren; one sister, Rosemary Joyce of Arlington Heights, Ill.; and one brother, George A. Duffin.

Mr. Duffin was born June 27, 1919, in Chicago and died Friday, Aug. 31, at St. Mary Hospital, Livonia. He worked for 30 years for Detroit Public Schools as a junior high school teacher, was a member of Divine Savior Catholic Church and was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II.

The Rev. Alexander A. Kuras officiated the service. Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Memorial Trust 100 Funeral Home in Westland.

TERRY A. SCOTT

Services for Terry A. Scott, 55, of Lisle, Ill., formerly of Livonia, were Wednesday, Sept. 5, at the Callahan Funeral Home East Chapel. Burial was in Roselawn Memorial Park.

Mrs. Scott was born April 24, 1935, in Terre Haute, Ind., and died Saturday, Sept. 1, in Lisle. She was a member of the Newcomers Club at

Naperville, Ill., and the American Association of University Women. She was a homemaker and attended St. Stephen Episcopal Church.

Mrs. Scott is survived by her husband, Dan; her mother of Terre Haute; one daughter, Katherine Dooge of Palm Harbor, Fla.; three sons, Kurt of Canton, Craig of The Colony, Texas, and Steve of Hudsonville, Mich.; one brother, Phil Pflieger of Fredericksburg, Texas; one sister, Susan Pflieger of Terre Haute; and three grandchildren.

The Rev. Joseph A. Rickards officiated the service.

BEVERLY R. SMALL

Services were recently for Beverly R. Small, 63, of Livonia. She died Thursday, Aug. 30, in Livonia. She was born April 13, 1927, in Detroit.

Mrs. Small is survived by her husband, Eugene V.; three daughters, Joan Luther of Flat Rock, Susan of Plymouth and Nancy St. Clair of San Diego, Calif.; one son, Christopher of Detroit; and three granddaughters.

Mrs. Small lived in the Livonia community for 34 years. She was a homemaker and Brownie leader for many years.

GERTRUDE F. BRIDGE

Services were held for Gertrude F. Bridge, 79, of Plymouth on Saturday, Sept. 1 at Schrader Funeral Home. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth.

Mrs. Bridge is survived by two daughters, Judith Hurle of Connecticut and Patricia Smoker of South Australia, one grandson and one brother, Glenice Lenigar of Ohio.

Mrs. Bridge was born April 26, 1911 in Columbus, Ohio, and died Tuesday, Aug. 28 in Ann Arbor. She came to the Plymouth community in 1940 from Detroit. She was manager of Food Service for Gallimore, Gibson and Farrand Schools. She worked 19 years with the Plymouth Public Schools. She was a member of the Riverside Park Church of God.

Pastor T. Jay Kroft officiated the service.

LAVERNE J. CARPENTER

Services were held for LaVerne J. Carpenter, 72, of Plymouth on Friday, Aug. 31 at Schrader Funeral Home. Burial was in Parkview Memorial Cemetery.

Mrs. Carpenter was born April 30, 1918 in Hornbeak, Tenn. She died Tuesday, Aug. 28 in Ann Arbor.

Mrs. Carpenter is survived by two daughters, Theresa Dennis of Naples, Fla. and Carolyn Erdman of Naples, Fla.; three grandchildren and one sister, Marion Myers of Livonia.

Rev. Philip Rodgers Magee officiated the service. Memorial contributions may be given to the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth or the American Cancer Society.

RODERICK G. BUCKLEY

Services were held for Roderick G. Buckley, 60, of Livonia Thursday, Aug. 30 at Schrader Funeral Home. He was buried in California.

Mr. Buckley died Tuesday, Aug. 28 in Livonia. He was born April 25, 1930 in St. Ignace.

Mr. Buckley is survived by his wife, Jenny Buckley of Livonia; four sons, Patrick Buckley of Duluth, Minn., Ronald Buckley of Boulder Creek, Calif., Gregory Buckley of Fremont, Calif. and Rod Buckley of San Jose, Calif.; five daughters, Debbie Griffin of Roseville, Calif., Connie Nunes of Pleasanton, Calif., Michelle Glaznap of Los Gatos, Calif., Kim Mashburn of Fremont, Calif. and Carole Buckley of San Jose, Calif.; 15 grandchildren; two brothers and three sisters.

Schools set career program

The Plymouth Canton and Plymouth Salem High School counseling departments will sponsor a planning session for high school seniors and their parents at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 12.

The program, "Keys to Success," will deal with careers and the college application process. Students, their parents and counselors will meet in small groups to talk.

The group meetings will be followed by a series of workshops dealing with such topics as adjusting to college life, finding the right college major and looking at alternatives to four-year colleges.

Parents and students may attend all three workshops during the evening.

The program is being sponsored by the high schools, Schoolcraft Community College, Eastern Michigan University, the University of Michigan and Michigan State University.

For more information, contact John Seidelman, 451-6600, ext. 338, or June Swartz, 451-6600, ext. 225.

Flea market at fall festival

During the Plymouth Fall Festival there will be a flea market at Oddfellow's Hall, corner of Ann Arbor Trail and Elizabeth.

The flea market will be 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Friday and Sat-

urday, Sept. 6, 7 and 8 and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 9. Crafts and furniture will be displayed outside. Inside, there will be jewelry, pottery, glassware and a large variety of antiques and collectibles.

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campus news

LYNN TRUESDELL, daughter of Louis and Ellen Truesdell of Plymouth, participated in the Summer Institute for the Arts and Sciences at Michigan Technological University. She is an honor student at Plymouth Salem High School.

CAROL J. HORVATH, daughter of Ann Horvath of Plymouth and Robert Horvath of Ypsilanti, graduated from Northwestern University's College of Arts and Sciences.

TRACY A. MEZAROS, of Plymouth was named to the honor roll at

Ohio State University.

BRIAN SAMPLE, a student at Plymouth Canton High School, participated in an overseas exchange to the Soviet Union this summer.

GARY E. ICKES, of Plymouth was named to the Academic Achievement List for part-time students at Siena Heights College. Canton residents are: Robert J. Biallas, Robert L. Krantz, James R. McDonald, Joan R. Sparks and Patrick J. Herbert.

JASON KEHRER, of Canton received a Pastor's Scholarship from University of Detroit.

THOMAS TAYLOR, of Plymouth completed a Personal Computer Applications program offered by University of Michigan-Dearborn.

PAMELA A. MILLEVILLE, of Plymouth was named to the Dean's List at West Virginia University.

GILLIAN E. LYON, graduate of Plymouth Salem High School, gradu-

ated from Western Washington University.

RACHEL FOLLAND, of Canton was awarded a music camp scholarship at Western Michigan University. She is a junior at Plymouth Salem High School.

PAYAL PAREKH of Canton will live with a host family and attend school in West Germany for a year. Payal, a student at Plymouth Salem High School, received a scholarship through Youth For Understanding (YFU) International Exchange.

military news

MARINE SGT. HOUSTON K. BARTON, son of Martha A. Brown of Canton, was awarded the Good Conduct Medal. He is currently serving at Marine Corps Air Station, Cherry Point, N.C., and is a 1984 graduate of Woodward High School in Cincinnati.

AIR NATIONAL GUARD SENIOR AIRMAN ROBERT C. DYE, son of Mr. and Mrs. William K. Dye of Canton and 1986 graduate of Canton High School, graduated from the U.S. Air Force aerospace propulsion specialist course at Chanute Air

Force Base, Ill.

PETER A. MAIORANO, son of Joseph F. Mairorano Sr. of Livonia and Lucille D. Mairorano of Plymouth, and husband of Mary Dee Mairorano, has been promoted in the U.S. Air Force to the rank of master sergeant. Mairorano is the superintendent of the Customer Support Branch at Andrews Air Force Base, Md. He graduated in 1977 from Plymouth Canton High School and received an associate's degree in 1985 through the Community College of the Air Force.

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Utility promotes kid safety program

Start of the new school year is time to alert children to the Consumers Power "Eyes and Ears" program, a company spokesman said.

Though aimed at preventing crimes, the program can also help children in emergencies.

Children should be advised to look for blue and white Consumers Power trucks displaying Eyes and Ears stickers. Trucks are radio equipped and employees are trained to request emergency help.

Other tips for children walking to and from school include:

- Staying away from strangers.
- Refusing rides, gifts or treats from anyone.
- Walking to and from school with friends, never alone.
- Seeking help if approached by a stranger.
- Making sure parents or guardians know where you will be at all times.
- Returning home directly after school.
- Not entering public rest rooms if alone.
- Avoiding hitchhiking.

After school activities are offered at school

Students 4-14 are invited to attend a series of after-school enrichment classes to begin Monday, Sept. 10, at Gibson School for the Gifted.

Classes are geared toward encouraging creativity. They include art,

jewelry-making, creative dance, ceramics, herbal art and Tai Chi, an ancient form of exercise and self-defense.

To register, call Barbara Barefield at 891-2514.

Input sought Airport group plans to meet with citizens

By Wayne Peal
staff writer

County residents unhappy about airplane noise will have their say before a special county committee. Meetings before unhappy homeowners will be scheduled, possibly before the end of the month, said airport noise committee chairwoman Susan Hubbard.

"I can't say whether it will be public hearings as such, but we are interested in meeting with homeowners," said Hubbard, a county commissioner whose district includes Dearborn. Committee members are looking at western Wayne meeting sites.

Members of a citizen anti-noise group apparently can't wait for the meetings to be held.

"Once they schedule them, we'll come," said Dearborn attorney David J. Esper, a spokesman for the Committee Against Airport Noise (CAAN). Petitions circulated by the citizens group forced a November referendum on airport expansion.

While CAAN's proposal seeks to block \$100 million in airport expansion at Detroit Wayne County

Metropolitan Airport, the county committee is steering clear of expansion issues.

"WE'RE JUST looking at how we can reduce noise," Hubbard said. "We aren't concerning ourselves with airport expansion at all."

Toward that end, committee members are investigating noise reduction techniques at 15 other airports nationwide. They're also looking at a series of noise reduction methods that had earlier been rejected for flights at Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport.

Ideas under consideration include engine noise mufflers, to be added at airlines' expense, and maximum noise standards, with fines assessed against airlines whose planes exceed limits.

"We expect to have about half our work done by the time of our next meeting (Thursday, Sept. 13)," Hubbard said.

Esper, who attended the committee's first meeting last week, said he was cautiously optimistic a solution could be found.

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— David J. Esper
attorney

tell whether it's going to be a sincere effort, or whether this is just being done for political purposes," Esper said. "But we are hopeful something will be accomplished."

County commissioners formed the committee last month due to rising complaints about new flight patterns at Metro.

Committee members include area commissioners Kay Beard, D-Inkster and Kevin Kelley, D-Redford. Beard's district includes Westland and Garden City. Commissioners Ricardo Solomon of Detroit and downriver commis-

sioner Edward Boike round out the committee's membership.

Flights have primarily been redirected over Dearborn but noise complaints have surfaced among Livonia, Garden City, Westland and Redford neighborhoods. Flights were redirected as a safety measure, according to the Federal Aviation Administration.

CAAN's petitions were recently upheld by the county clerk's office. The issue will appear on the Tuesday, Nov. 6 election ballot.

The proposal involves \$100 million in bonds for a new 3,200-car airport parking structure — a part of a planned \$1 billion airport improvement project.

Group members said they filed petitions under a little-used provision of state bond law because there was no provision for a direct vote on airport expansion or noise.

County Executive Edward McNamara's staff members have said the vote could jeopardize further expansion and, in the long term, force Northwest Airlines — Metro's main carrier — to move services to other airports.

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Report blasts airport, DNR on toxin release

By Wayne Peal
staff writer

Toxic materials are routinely released into nearby waterways from Detroit Metro Wayne County Airport — with little protest from the Department of Natural Resources — an environmental group charged last week.

Anti-freeze solutions containing toxic and cancer-causing substances have been discharged from airport drains into the Detroit River, eventually reaching Lake Erie, according to a report filed by the Southeastern Michigan Environmental Resource Association, Inc. (SMERA)

The problem centers on ethylene glycol, a de-icing solution similar to automobile anti-freeze, and 1,4-dioxane, a cancer-causing by-product.

Though the airport has a permit to discharge the substance, SMERA found airport discharges exceeded the permit's mandated safety level 373 times over the past two years.

"THIS IS based on material we've

obtained under the (state) Freedom of Information Act," SMERA spokesman Adam Banner said. SMERA, an Ann Arbor-based environmental study group, released its report Friday to the state Water Resource Commission.

Because of excessive discharges, the DNR has deemed the airport in non-compliance with safety standards since December. Airport and DNR officials have met periodically since then to discuss the problem.

"The problem is that anti-freeze runs off the planes and is carried along with rain water and melting snow," deputy county executive Michael Duggan said. "The solution is that we need to modify our retention system, separating the ethylene glycol from storm water."

Heavy flooding near the airport occurred last March because retention ponds were already full with the anti-freeze material, Duggan said.

Roughly \$30 million of \$100 million in airport bonds on the fall election ballot would go for retention

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system improvements, Duggan added.

The bond issue was forced on the ballot by a citizen group protesting airport noise.

Despite the bonds, the environmental group's report criticized the DNR for doing, "nothing of substance to enforce the permit or to suggest technological solutions."

DNR officials took exception to that charge.

isn't considered dangerous to humans unless directly ingested.

Discharges pose a greater hazard to fish, DNR spokesman Powers said.

"The problem is it takes a lot of oxygen to break it down," he said. "It could lead to a lack of oxidation in the water and that could result in fish kills or an inhibition of fish reproduction."

"As for 1,4-dioxane, Powers said: "We're confident dioxane is going to be well below the level of danger if the airport remains in compliance."

The SMERA report, however, lists 1,4-dioxane as a major risk.

Dioxane, an impurity that occurs within glycol, is different from more heavily publicized dioxins such as Agent Orange.

"When one realizes that a mere four ounces of ethylene glycol will kill an adult and that 13 10-mil-

liths of an ounce of 1,4-dioxane constitutes the daily carcinogenic dose, you can begin to appreciate our concerns," SMERA members said in the report.

The group discovered Metro uses more than 27,000 gallons of ethylene glycol a day, containing a daily average of 1.78 pounds of 1,4-dioxane.

The report found anti-freeze emission a problem at all Michigan airports, though in lesser amounts than at Metro.

SMERA doesn't plan to take further action after issuing its report.

"All we're doing is presenting the information," said Banner, a former Dow chemist.

But group members expect the government to take action soon.

"This is what we call the state's hidden debt," Banner said. "The state must come up with a plan for handling this kind of problem."

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Engler taps Miller to challenge Austin

By Tim Richard
staff writer

Republican Judy Miller will run an issues-oriented campaign to unseat Democrat Richard Austin, whom some pundits call "secretary of state for life."

"Age will not be an issue," quipped gubernatorial nominee John Engler, who tapped Miller, 54, of Birmingham, to challenge the 77-year-old incumbent seeking an unprecedented sixth term.

"She's a veteran campaigner who can talk knowledgeably on a wide array of issues," Engler told a Wednesday morning news conference in the Bloomfield Township Hall.

He cited Miller's four years on the Birmingham City Commission and six years as a state representative, with service on the elections and state affairs committees, two panels that deal with Department of State matters.

MILLER AND Engler agreed Aus-

tin had gone too far in seeking voters registration through his office rather than local clerks.

One priority will be "accountability in the area of campaign financing," she said. Engler added he wanted to do away with officeholder expense funds.

Miller said she would promote ways for better public service. Would that include providing seating for people who have to wait in long lines at the Secretary of State's office? "That would be a wonderful thing to do," she replied.

Both frowned on the notion, popular among some Democrats, of same-day voter registration. "No way," said Miller.

"I've never been an advocate of it because of the difficulty with security," added Engler. "I don't think it's an undue restriction on the right to vote to have people register in advance."

MILLER WILL be the third Oakland County Republican in four elec-

tions to challenge Austin. Others were state Rep. Mel Larsen of Lake Orion (1978) and Bloomfield Township trustee Weldon Yeager (1986).

Engler's announcement, leaked to the press a day earlier, ended weeks of speculation that Miller would be on the ticket after an unsuccessful run for a state Senate nomination.

"Election night, John came to my party, and I indicated I would do whatever I could to get him elected governor," she said. "I began reading about it (her name on the ticket) in — well, the newspapers."

A native of Detroit, Miller attended high school and Western Reserve University in Ohio. She and husband Steven have two children, Elizabeth and John. From 1976-84 she owned a dressmaking service. Memberships include the League of Women Voters, Birmingham Republican Women's Club, American Association of University Women and Birmingham/Bloomfield Art Association.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON EN-

gler completed the partisan part of the Nov. 6 state GOP ticket by endorsing Lansing attorney Cliff Taylor for attorney general. It made him the first gubernatorial candidate in modern times to endorse every candidate on the ticket, leaving the GOP state convention in Detroit this weekend little to do but rubber stamp his choices.

Tuesday Engler endorsed three more education ticket candidates:

• Marv Each, 63, of Ann Arbor, former 2nd District congressman and 1976 Senate nominee — for the University of Michigan Board of Regents. Now president of The Communications Group, Inc., Each taught at U-M in the 1960s.

• Shirley McFee, mayor of Battle Creek — for U-M. A former teacher and college instructor, he has served on the Calhoun County board.

• John Shingleton, retired placement director of Michigan State University — for the MSU board.

All 14 posts on the state ballot are held by Democrats.



DAN DEAN/staff photographer

Judy Miller, gubernatorial candidate John Engler's choice for secretary of state, answers questions with Engler at Bloomfield Township Hall.

Blanchard to run with Maynard

Gov. James Blanchard ended months of speculation about his running mate by tapping Olivia (Libby) Maynard for lieutenant governor.

"I look forward as lieutenant governor to playing an even larger role in helping the governor move Michigan forward," said Maynard, 54, who has directed the Office of Services to the Aging for Blanchard's eight years in office.

The Flint resident was the 1978 candidate for the same job when

Sen. William Fitzgerald was the nominee. In 1982 she delivered the nominating speech for Martha Griffiths, now 78, whom Blanchard dumped from the ticket when she shunned hints to retire.

THE MATTER will be formalized at Sunday's final session of the Democratic state convention in Flint.

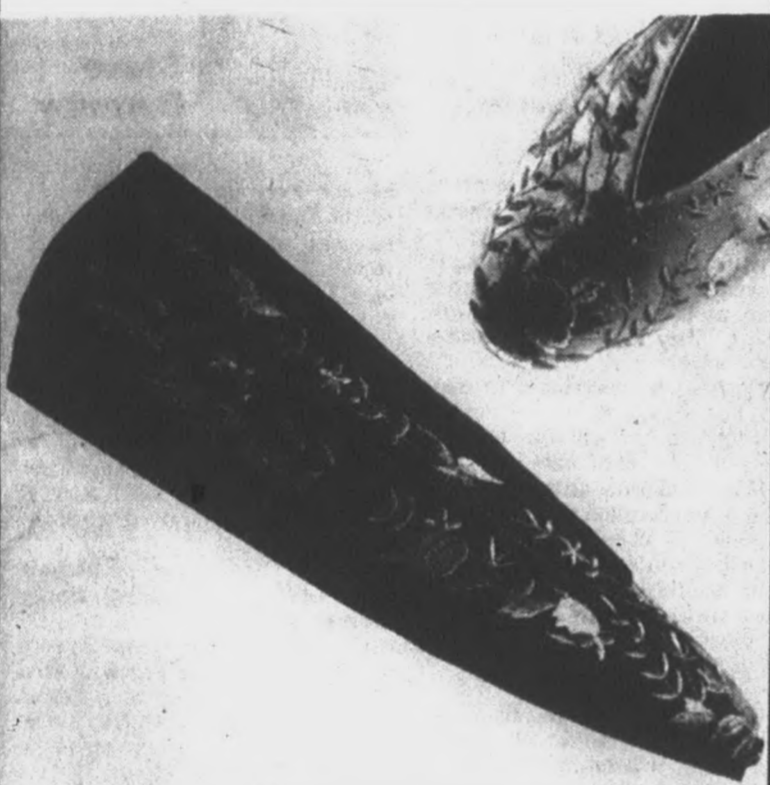
Griffiths told a news conference Tuesday she would not make a floor fight to keep the No. 2 post she has held for two terms.

"Libby Maynard is an outstanding and popular servant who has all the qualifications and experience for serving as lieutenant governor or governor," Blanchard said.

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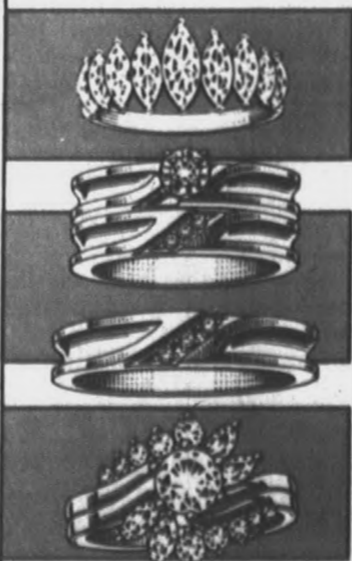
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Tax base sharing gains support

By Tim Richard
staff writer

Business property tax base sharing — a notion long popular in rural school districts — is gaining popularity in outstate urban areas.

"The idea emanated from Grand Rapids," said an aide to Rep. William Keith, D-Garden City, sponsor of two enabling bills.

House Bills 5885 and 5886 had had hearings before Keith's House Education Committee in Grand Rapids and Midland, where so far there is no opposition, the aide said.

Keith has scheduled a public hearing for 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 11, the day the state Legislature returns for a three-week session. It will be in room 424 of the restored Capitol Building.

THE PUREST form of tax base sharing is for commercial and industrial property taxes to be collected in common for a large jurisdiction such as a state or county.

Farmers long have advocated the idea as a method for their sharing in urban industrial wealth without giving up political control of their rural districts or taxes on their farms.

Keith's bills, however, contain two major differences:

• Enactment would be voluntary within an intermediate school district, which generally follows county lines. Any school district within the county could veto the plan.

• Only growth in commercial and industrial property values would be taxed countywide. Existing business property would be unaffected.

Residential, farm and mining property would be unaffected.

Little support is expected for the plan in Wayne County, where communities have competed fiercely to attract business growth and there are three dozen school districts.

But Keith's aide said the Oakland Intermediate District was interested in having a public hearing. And Midland County, with only five school districts, is attracted by it.

KEY POLITICIANS are lining up behind the bills, the aide said.

"Gov. Blanchard is supportive of the concept, (GOP challenger John) Engler is supportive of the concept. The speaker (Lewis Dodak, D-Monroeville) is supportive.

"The Senate will have the same bill, introduced by Dick Posthumus (R-Alto)," said the aide. Posthumus is Engler's right hand man in Senate policymaking.

When identical bills are introduced in both chambers, it is a sign that a broad base of lawmakers is serious about a subject.

A form of statewide tax base sharing was contained in Proposal B, defeated by voters 3-1 in 1989. It would have allowed statewide collection of a portion of school property taxes.

If passed by the Legislature in September, the measures would be phased in beginning next July 1.

TAX BASE sharing could be implemented in any of three ways under Keith's bills:

- 1) The board of education of every

member district within the county intermediate must approve.

2) A board could ask voters to approve.

3) Voters could sign initiative petitions.

The bills contain guarantees to help sharing districts maintain their revenues. According to a House Democratic research staff analysis:

"(T)he distribution would be adjusted to ensure that in-formula school districts would receive at least the same amount of revenue that they would have been entitled to if there had been no tax-base sharing proposal.

"In exchange for tax base sharing, out-of-formula school districts would be exempted from categorical recapture provisions contained in the state school aid act."

Under that controversial measure, the state took away \$70 million in categorical aids to richer school districts. The law is extremely unpopular among suburban districts in the metro Detroit area.

Walk benefits seniors

A Fun Walk on behalf of Wayne County's homebound elderly is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 23, at the University of Michigan-Dearborn.

Participants are asked to gather pledges to benefit Meals on Wheels programs in Wayne County. Those walking the 3.1-mile course can designate which community they wish to receive their pledge money.

Last year's walk raised more than \$23,000.

Family entertainment and activities are planned in addition to the walk. Participants are eligible for prizes based upon the amount of

pledges they raise. Prizes include round trip airfare for two to any destination in North America, courtesy of Northwest Airlines, and a trip for two to Mackinac Island.

Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara is event host.

Registration is at 8:30 a.m. in the campus field house. The university is on Evergreen, between Ford Road and Michigan Avenue. Pledge forms can be obtained by writing the Wayne County Office of Nutrition Services, 15495 Sheldon Road, Northville 48167. Additional information is available by calling nutrition services at 453-2808.

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At the same time, the utility is billing gas customers \$11.7 million, including interest, due to an under-recovery of actual gas costs for 1988. The utility's typical residential gas customer who has received service since 1987 will receive a net credit of approximately \$11.60 as the result of the adjustments.

A typical residential customer consumes approximately 130,000 cubic feet of gas per year.

"This adjustment further reduces gas costs for our customers who already pay rates among the lowest in the nation," said Michael G. Morris, Consumers' executive vice president of natural gas and marketing.

A recent American Gas Association study showed that Consumers Power's rate for a typical residential gas customer was lower than that charged by 81 percent of the nation's gas utilities.

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By Julie Brown
staff writer

Studying changes in fashion's a good way to learn about history, as Jeanne MacDonald can attest.

"It's really interesting as you study fashion," said MacDonald, exhibits chairwoman at the Plymouth Historical Museum. The clothing styles of a particular era reveal much about economics, geography, politics and history.

Fashions from 1860 to 1960, "from the Civil War to the miniskirt," are

The well-dressed woman of the 1930s wore an evening gown along these lines.

included in a new exhibit at the museum, 155 S. Main in Plymouth.

"We have a lot and I think people are interested in fashions. So much happened within that 100 years," said MacDonald, a Plymouth Township resident. The museum's collection includes many pieces of clothing, including items from the 19th century and some from more modern times.

"Then the rest of us brought in what we have at home."

In 1860, a full skirt — complete with hoops — measured some 10 yards in circumference. Tight steel corsets were worn, and bonnets and caps were replaced by hats fastened to the hair with long hat pins.

Mirror

Clothing styles reveal much about history

CLOTHING OF that era didn't make it easy for women to do much. Even the narrow "hobble" skirts worn in the early years of the 20th century made it tough for women to walk.

Throughout the years, clothing has been used to indicate social status. MacDonald found it interesting to trace the development of the women's movement through clothing styles.

Slacks became more acceptable

for women in the years just before and during World War II. The work in defense plants done by many women during that time couldn't be handled by those wearing skirts and high heels.

In the late 1940s, designer Christian Dior introduced the "New Look."

"You saw women's bodies as they're supposed to be rather than contorted," MacDonald said. That look included a rounded bosom, small waist and full skirt.

In 1954, Chanel brought back her little suit accented by a matching blouse. That classic look is still popular with many women today.

Short skirts were worn by many women in the 1920s and more recently in the 1960s. Britain's Mary Quant introduced the mini in the 1960s.

"It seems you go from one extreme to the other," MacDonald said. Miniskirts are available now at many stores, but she's not convinced women will wear them.

"I may be wrong. I think women have told designers they're not going to be told what to wear. There's a different style of life now."

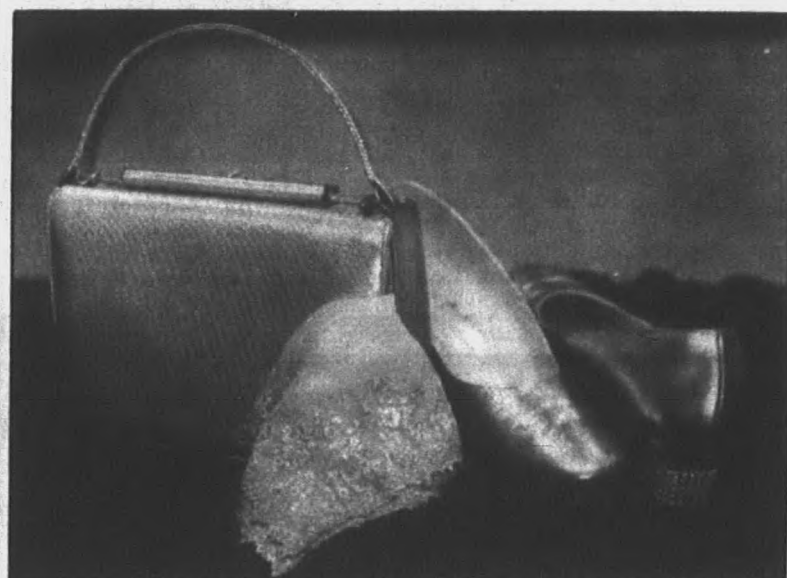


This dress style was popular in the 1860s.

Staff photos
by Guy Warren



This polka dot dress is from the 1950s. The museum exhibit covers changes in fashions from 1860 to 1960.



Many fashion accessories are also included in the exhibit at the Plymouth Historical Museum.

Advocating hunting safety is their aim

By Julie Brown
staff writer

ONE MOMENT of carelessness on a hunting trip is all it takes to lead to tragedy.

Bob Hall, who's been hunting for about 25 years, knows that's true.

"It all adds up, if you're alive after you've made that mistake," said Hall, a Livonia resident who began hunting at age 12. Hunters need to handle firearms carefully, and shouldn't hesitate to speak up if their fellow hunters aren't as cautious.

"You're the example for all of us," Hall told a group taking a hunter safety course. Being an ambassador for the sport helps to give hunting a more positive image.

The hunter safety course was offered last week by the Mayflower-Lt. Gamble Post and Auxiliary No. 6695 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Hall and Bob Biallas were the instructors.

"We try to bring in all the firearms we have, different types and styles," said Biallas, a Canton resident. Firearm safety's among the most important areas covered.

THE YOUNG people and adults also learned about training, hunting ethics, wildlife identification and management, first aid and basic survival. They learned about bow hunting and use of rifles, shotguns and handguns.

The final class session at the Plymouth VFW Hall, held Saturday, Sept. 1, included a field demonstration. Students shot BB guns, and learned about the 450-foot buffer zone — the minimum distance from a building a hunter must be in Michigan when shooting.

Neil Biallas, 11, was among the younger students in the class. He's gone with his dad on hunting trips.

"I learned how you should handle firearms, be safe around them," said Neil, a sixth grader at Pioneer Middle School in Plymouth Township. "I think it's important that you should have the responsibility of handling a firearm properly."

Students were required to take a written test and to get a score of at least 75 out of 100 to pass. Those who finished the 12-hour class got a certificate.

Younger hunters are required to take such a class to get a license, but more experienced hunters can also benefit from a refresher course, Hall said. In fact, teaching a newcomer can be easier than teaching someone with 20 or 30 years of experience.

"They have no bad habits to get over," Hall said.

HALL AND Biallas have gone hunting together, and both belong to the Washtenaw Sportsman's Club. They've taught the VFW hunter safety class for several

'Alcohol and guns and hunting do not mix. They do not mix in any way, shape or form.'

— Bob Hall

years and have taught similar courses through the club.

Biallas has been hunting for about 25 years, since he was 14. He knows that some hunters aren't as careful as they should be, and give the sport a bad name.

It's important for hunters to avoid drinking alcohol, Hall said.

"Alcohol and guns and hunting do not mix. They do not mix in any way, shape or form." Having a beer or two at the end of the day is OK, but hunters should never try to hunt while under the influence of alcohol, he said.

"People that do that do not hunt with me."

Hall and Biallas, who both work for the Ford Motor Co., reminded students in the class that wearing hunter orange is a good safety practice. In Michigan, use of at least one orange garment is required for most hunting.

"You can see it from a long way off," Biallas said. Being polite when hunting by permission on another person's property is essential, Hall told the students. Hunters should avoid damaging such property and should remember to pick up after themselves. That also applies when hunting on public land.

HUNTERS NEED to be aware of game limits and regulations that apply to hunting. Those vary from state to state and are different in Canada than in the U.S.

"Don't break the law. There's no excuse for not reading the rules," Hall said.

Informative booklets are available free of charge at conservation offices and sporting goods stores, he said. Public libraries house a wealth of information, and Michigan's Department of Natural Resources will mail such booklets free of charge upon request.

Hunters can take a few other steps to make sure hunting trips are enjoyable and safe. It's important to exercise throughout the year to stay in shape, Hall said. Heart attacks are the most common killer each year during hunting season. Too often, hunters who are out of shape head for the woods and overexert themselves.

Hunters need to practice regularly with a bow, rifle or shotgun. The aim of the sport is a clean kill in which

the animal doesn't suffer, and regular practice is essential, Biallas said.

Using the entire animal is also important, he said. Hides can be used to make clothing, and antlers can be used to create jewelry.

Hall's family saves a great deal on grocery bills because he hunts.

"We buy no meat until the freezer's empty."

Hunting's a family occasion for Hall. His wife goes on hunting trips, although she chooses not to hunt. Their 6-year-old son and 10-year-old daughter also go on those trips.

Hall and Biallas have found it takes some time for

young hunters to become comfortable with the idea of shooting. Even more experienced hunters sometimes opt to take a break. Biallas occasionally hunts with a camera when he's had enough of more traditional hunting.

"Wildlife photography is a form of hunting." Hunters shouldn't let others put pressure on them to shoot.

They also know that hunting's not the sport for everyone. Hall suggests to skeptics that they come along on a trip to learn more about hunting. If they still don't care for the sport, that's fine.

"I'll respect your right to that, and you have the right to say that."



JIM JAGDFELD/staff photographer

Instructor Bob Biallas of Canton talks to the class about wildlife identification.

weddings and engagements

Cameron-Paonessa

Karen Ann Paonessa of Plymouth and James Lawrence Cameron of Dearborn were married Sept. 1 at St. Thomas a Becket Catholic Church in Canton. The Rev. Ernest Porcari performed the ceremony.

Parents of the couple are Anthony and Christine Paonessa of Hamburg, Mich., and Lawrence and Elizabeth Cameron of Westland.

The bride is a graduate of John Glenn High School and of Wayne State University, where she earned a bachelor's degree. She earned a master's degree from Purdue University and is enrolled in a doctorate program at the University of Michigan. She is employed as a marketing manager with the Cadillac Division of General Motors Corp.

Her husband is a graduate of Edsel Ford High School and of Eastern Michigan University, where he earned a bachelor's degree. He earned a master's degree from the University of Michigan and is enrolled in a doctorate program at the Center for Humanistic Studies. He is employed as a fitness center director for Electronic Data Systems (EDS).

Katie McBride was the matron of honor. The bridesmaids were Lori Bell, Paula McAllister and sister of



the bride Michelle Jones.

Father of the bridegroom Larry Cameron was the best man. The bridegroom's attendants were Tom Cameron, Larry Cameron and Gordy Cameron, all brothers of the bridegroom.

After the ceremony, an informal "Labor Day bash" was held at Bali Hall in Canton. The get-together included outdoor festivities and games, followed by a buffet dinner and dancing.

Following a wedding trip to Europe, including visits to France, Italy and Switzerland, the newlyweds will make their home in Plymouth.

Redilla-Wojichowski

Donna Lee Wojichowski of Plymouth and Martin John Redilla of Northville were married May 19 at St. Blaise Catholic Church in Sterling Heights. The Rev. Joseph Killeen performed the ceremony.

Parents of the couple are John and Yvonne Wojichowski of Sterling Heights, Cuyler and Lorraine McCutchan of Northville, and Frank Redilla of West Palm Beach, Fla.

The bride is a graduate of Oakland University, where she earned a bachelor's degree in management/computer science. She is employed as a supervisor for the Personal Computing Group at Delta Dental Plan of Michigan.

Her husband is a graduate of Northville High School and attended Western Michigan University. He is the owner of Marty's Pit Stop of Hamburg, Mich., an automotive repair business.

Cheryl Hornacek was the matron of honor. The bridesmaids were Donna Owens, Sherry Patrick, Lori Stec and Karen Wojichowski.

Eric Price was the best man. The bridegroom's attendants were brother of the bride Gary Wojichowski, Greg Harper, Kerry Steele and brother of the bride John Wojichowski.



For her wedding, the bride wore a white silk gown detailed with Alencon lace, pearls and sequins. The gown had a sweetheart neckline, short puffed sleeves, a full train and a cathedral veil. She carried a bouquet of pink roses and lilies of the valley.

A reception was held at The Sterling Inn.

Following a wedding trip to the U.S. Virgin Islands, the newlyweds are making their home in Plymouth.

Mitchell-Ferguson

Mrs. Jacqueline Fobare of Plymouth and Allen Mitchell of Farmington Hills announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristine Marie Mitchell of Plymouth, to James Ralph Ferguson Jr. of St. Clair Shores.

The prospective bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Ferguson Sr. of St. Clair Shores.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and of Madonna College, where she earned a bachelor's degree in nursing. She is employed as a registered nurse at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Lakeshore High School in St. Clair Shores and of the Technical School for Combat Aerospace Munitions at Lowry Air Force Base in Denver. He is employed as a weapons specialist



at Selfridge Air National Guard Base in Mount Clemens.

A mid-November wedding is planned at St. John Neumann Catholic Church in Canton.

Lonergan-Powell

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Lonergan of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Lee Anne, to Donald A. Powell II of Byron, Mich., son of Mrs. Donald Powell of Oscoda, Mich., and the late Donald Powell.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and of Western Michigan University, where she earned a bachelor of business administration degree in management. She is employed as a leasing consultant for Bryanston Management Group in Dearborn.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Byron High School. He is employed as a manager for Domino's Pizza Inc. in Novi.

An October wedding is planned.



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new voices

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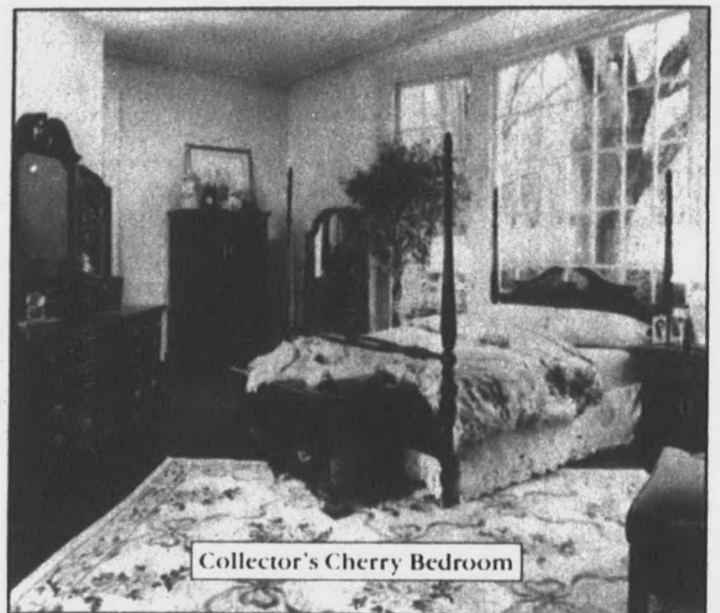
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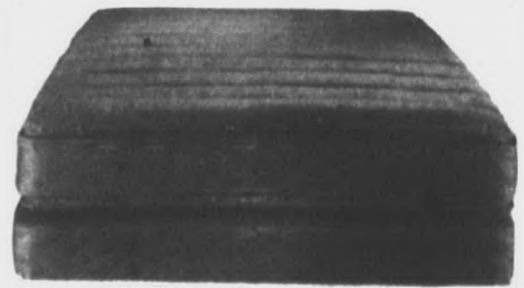
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The Plymouth Symphony League will hold its fall antique show in conjunction with the Plymouth Fall Festival. Regular show hours will be 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Sept. 7, and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 8, at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer. A preview will be held 7:30-10 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 6, and reservations are required. Donation of \$15 for the preview will include admission for all three days. Show donation is \$3. Proceeds will support the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra. For more information, call 459-1358.

BPW BINGO

The Plymouth Business and Professional Women will sponsor a Thursday, Sept. 6, bingo night during the Plymouth Fall Festival. Bingo will begin at 6:30 p.m. and will be held in The Gathering, across from Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth. Proceeds from the annual event are used for student scholarships. For more information, call 996-1176.

AAUW BOOK SALE

Members of the Plymouth branch, American Association of University Women, will sell used paperbacks during the Plymouth Fall Festival, scheduled for Sept. 6-9. AAUW members plan to have a booth at the festival and will sell paperbacks at a price of 50 cents per inch (according to the book's thickness). Fiction, mysteries, science fiction, westerns and others will be sold. Proceeds will be used for scholarships for women attending the University of Michigan, Michigan State University, Schoolcraft College, Madonna College, Washtenaw Community College and the Plymouth-Canton Community Education adult education program.

ATTENTION DEFICIT

The Attention Deficit Disorder Association will meet 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 6, at the Livonia Civic Center Library, on Five Mile east of Farmington Road. The public may attend. Admission is free of charge. For more information, call 464-8233.

WESTSIDE II

Westside Singles II will hold a dance/party 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday, Sept. 7, at the Livonia Elks Lodge, on Plymouth Road east of Merriman. The dance/party is for singles age 21 and older. Dressy attire should be worn (no jeans). For more information, call the hot line, 562-3170.

PET SHOW

The Plymouth Optimist Club will hold its pet show 9-11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 8, in Kellogg Park. The show, held during the Plymouth Fall Festival, is for Plymouth-Canton students age 14 and younger. There will be three awards given for each category. Awards will be given for: smallest, biggest, longest tail, best trick,

and other categories depending on the type of pet. Penn Theater tickets will be given to entrants.

SYMPHONY AUDITIONS

Auditions for string players and other instrumentalists will be held for positions with the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra. Auditions are scheduled for: Saturday, Sept. 8, Monday, Sept. 10, and Saturday, Sept. 15 (alternate). For an audition appointment or more information, call Bill Hulsker, personnel manager, 925-8143 or 577-0401, or Russell Reed, PSO conductor, 487-2448.

CLOTHING SALE

The Western Wayne County Mothers of Twins Club will hold its semi-annual sale of children's clothing 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 8. The sale will be held at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 30650 Six Mile, between Middlebelt and Merriman in Livonia. Fall and winter clothing for infants and children will be sold, along with baby goods, toys, furniture and other items. A fundraising bake sale will also be held. The public may attend.

PLYMOUTH MUSEUM

Special Fall Festival activities are planned at the Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main. Hours will be 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 8, and noon to 6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 9. The Plymouth Piecemakers will exhibit quilts and demonstrate the art of quilting. There will be other craft demonstrations, including lacemaking, folk painting and rug-hooking. Outside the museum, antique fire engines will be exhibited Saturday and antique automobiles Sunday. Museum admission price is \$1.50 for adults, 50 cents for students ages 5-17, free for those under age 5. Family rate is \$4. For more information, call 455-8940.

ARTISTS AND CRAFTSMEN

The Plymouth Community Arts Council will hold its 19th annual Artists and Craftsmen Show Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 8-9, at Central Middle School, Church and Main, Plymouth. Hours will be 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. More than 100 artisans will participate. The juried show, a fundraising event, is held during the Plymouth Fall Festival and features a variety of arts and crafts. Donation is \$2 (at the door) for adults, \$1 for seniors and students, free for children under age 12 when accompanied by an adult. Local students in kindergarten through 12th grade will have a booth and will sell arts and crafts items they've made.

TRI-COUNTY SINGLES

Tri-County Singles will hold a dance/party 8 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 8, at the Airport Hilton Inn, I-94 and Merriman, Romulus. The dance/party is for singles over age 21. Admission price is \$2 for

women. For more information, call the hot line, 842-7422.

VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Volunteer training meetings will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, Sept. 10, and Tuesday, Sept. 11, at the Hollidome of the Holiday Inn Livonia West, I-275 and Six Mile. A fashion show will be presented by a representative of Orlandi's Shoes of Plymouth. The inspirational speaker will be Theresa Herr, an executive from Toledo, Ohio. Soprano soloist Susie Slagenwhite will perform. Price is \$11, including dinner, and reservations are required. For reservations, call 455-3371 or 397-8871 by Friday, Sept. 7.

DANCE FOR SENIORS

A monthly dance for seniors will be held 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday, Sept. 10, at Westland Center's auditorium, Warren and Wayne roads in Westland. Live music will be provided by the Standard Five, a group of senior musicians. Admission is free of charge. Refreshments will be served.

COUNCIL ON AGING

The Plymouth Community Council on Aging will resume its regular monthly meetings in September. A meeting will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, Sept. 10, at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer. There will be musical entertainment, and refreshments will be served. Area senior citizens may attend. For more information, call 453-1234 Ext. 237.

CANTON BPW

The Canton Business and Professional Women will meet Monday, Sept. 10, at the Roman Forum, 41601 Ford, Canton. Social time will be at 6 p.m., dinner at 6:30 p.m., the meeting 7:30-9 p.m. The program will be a fashion presentation featuring clothing and accessories from t. Edwards at Fairlane in Dearborn. Area working women may attend. Price is \$10, including dinner, and is payable at the door. For more information, call Kelly Baldrice, 737-7300 or 489-4257.

PARENT-TODDLER CLASS

New Morning School in Plymouth Township is accepting applications for its parent-toddler classes, "Me and My Shadow." The classes are for 2- and 3-year-olds and their parents. Openings are available in the Monday or Thursday evening or Friday morning classes. Classes meet for an hour once a week and will begin the week of Sept. 10. For more information, call 420-3331 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. weekdays. The school is at 14501 Haggerty, north of Schoolcraft in Plymouth Township.

Exhibit covers changing times

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THE EXHIBIT, scheduled to continue through Nov. 15, includes mannequins dressed in styles of different eras. A hat, vest, cufflinks and a few other items worn by men are included, although women's fashions are the primary focus.

"Men's don't change that much." Fashion accessories, including handbags, shoes, hats, fans and jewelry, are also featured.

MacDonald and others who worked on the exhibit weren't around in 1860, but they do remember some of the more recent changes in fashion.

She recalled one requirement at her prep school in South Carolina: a student was allowed to go downtown only if wearing a hat and gloves and carrying a handbag. The presence of a chaperone was also required.

"And that was not that long ago, the late 40s. We looked very prim and proper. It was very nice, but not very practical."

Many of today's fashions are designed with comfort and practicality in mind, she said. More active lifestyles call for more practical clothing.

Development of synthetic fabrics also changed fashions. Early swimsuits, for example, were made of knitted fibers, mostly wool, and were shapeless. The more flexible, chemically produced fibers used today make for more form-fitting swimwear.

Regular hours at the Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main, are 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, 2-5 p.m. Sunday. Admission price is \$1.50 for adults, 50 cents for students ages 5-17, free for children under 5. Family rate is \$4. For more information, call 455-8940. The museum, operated by the Plymouth Historical Society, will be open 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 8, and noon to 6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 9, for the Plymouth Fall Festival. Craft demonstrations and other special activities are planned.



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appointed minister at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, recently returned from a two-week Stephen Ministry training course in Baltimore, Md. Plans are under way to start a Stephen Ministry training class this month at St. Matthew.

Stephen Ministry is a non-denominational, Christian philosophy program to train Christians in care-giving. Each participant must make a two-year commitment, which includes 90 hours of training and one care call a week. For information, call 422-6038.

CHRISTIAN BUSINESS

Metro-West After Five Club (Christian Business and Professional Women) will have a dinner meeting 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 11, at the Livonia Holiday. Theresa Herr, a business executive from Toledo, Ohio, will be the inspirational speaker. The program will also feature a fashion show by Orlandi's Shoes of Plymouth and Susie Slagenwhite as soprano soloist. Price is \$11. For reservations, call 455-3371 or 397-8871.

BECOMING A CATHOLIC

Inquiry sessions will be held 7:30-9:30 p.m. Thursdays in the school library of Our Lady of Good Counsel, 1160 Penniman, Plymouth. Sessions are for non-Catholics and for Catholics seeking a faith update. The first session will begin Thursday, Sept. 6. The school library is behind the church building. Sessions will be informal. For information, call 455-1999.

LIONS CHAPLAIN

Ward Presbyterian Church, 17000 Farmington, Livonia, will host the first men's prayer breakfast of the fall season at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 8, in Fellowship Hall. David Wilson, chaplain to the Detroit Lions, will be the speaker.

RALLY DAY

Antioch Lutheran Church, 33360 W. 13 Mile, Farmington Hills, will hold "Sunday School Rally Day" at 9:45 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 9. Children of all ages can attend to participate in the celebration. Environmental stewardship is the theme of this year's rally, which will include a tulip planting. For information, call 626-7906.

NEW START

The New Start group (for the widowed) will meet 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 11, in the Ward Presbyterian Church Chapel, 17000 Farmington,

off Six Mile, Livonia. The speaker, Lynn Van Der Harst, will discuss the topic, "Don't Let the Rocking Chair Get You."

Grief Support Groups are for those who have suffered the loss of a loved one. Meetings are 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 12 and 26, and at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 6 and 20.

New Start is for widowed people. The group offers monthly Tuesday meetings and on-going support groups designed for those who have been going through the grief process. The support groups meet 10:30 a.m. to noon Wednesdays every two weeks in the Calvin Room of Ward Church.

VEGAS NIGHT

A Vegas Night will be held 7 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Sept. 15, at the St. Thomas a Becket Family Life Center, 555 S. Lilley, south of Cherry Hill in Canton. Cash prizes will be awarded (\$500 maximum payout per person). There will be refreshments and a cash bar. All proceeds will go to the general fund at St. Thomas a Becket. The event is sponsored by the ushers at the church. For information, call 981-4370 or 459-2115.

TERRY BLACKWOOD

Terry Blackwood will perform in concert at 6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 16, at Calvary Baptist Church, 43065 Joy, Canton. Blackwood has launched a solo ministry from his home base in Nashville, Tenn. His musical career includes two years with The Stamps Quartet, nine years as lead singer with The Imperials, and nine years as a partner with Sherman Andrus in Andrus, Blackwood & Co. Admission to the Canton concert is free of charge, and a freewill offering will be taken. A nursery will be provided. For information, call 455-0022.

AGING PARENTS

A seven-week seminar on "Understanding Mom and Dad" will be held at Christ Community Church, 45701 Ford, Canton. The seminar is for children of aging parents and others interested in issues of aging. Sessions will be held 7-8:30 p.m. Sundays. Price is \$10 per couple/single. The first session will be held Sunday, Oct. 7, and weekly sessions will continue through Sunday, Nov. 18. Registration may be completed at the door or by calling 981-0499. A nursery for children will be available at the church, at a price of \$1 per child. Those who need free help caring for parents during the sessions may call 981-0499. Participants will learn about the aging process, sources of

help, legal issues, housing for the elderly and other topics.

BIBLE CLASS

The Community Bible Class taught by Margaret Hess will begin its fall session on Tuesday, Sept. 11. "Your Power to Choose," 2 Chronicles 1-3, will be the subject for that day. The class meets 9:30 a.m. at Ward Presbyterian Church, Six Mile and Farmington roads, Livonia.

At 9:30 a.m., 25 small groups will meet to discuss the lesson. From 10-11 a.m., Hess will teach in the sanctuary.

The class follows a course written by Hess which goes through the entire Bible in eight years according to its historical sequence. This year, the study will be Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon, Kings and Prophets.

Many different churches of the area are represented in the class, including Methodist, Roman Catholic, Greek Orthodox, Reformed, Baptist, Episcopalian, Presbyterian, Lutheran, Christian Scientist and independent Bible churches.

Study materials for September and January may be bought 20 minutes before class for \$2. There will be separate nurseries for infants, toddlers and pre-schoolers.

Hess has been teaching the Bible in Chicago and Detroit areas for decades. She is the author of eight books, the most recent "Triumph of Love," a study of Ruth, published by Victor Books.

BIBLE STUDIES

The First Baptist Church of Northville, 217 N. Wing, will offer four "Precept Upon Precept" Bible studies this fall. Two women's studies in the Book of James will start 7:15 p.m. Monday, Sept. 10, and 9 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 11. A women's study, "Lord, Heal My Heart," will be offered starting at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 12. A men's study in the Book of James will begin at 7:15 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 11. For information, call 348-1020.

RELIGION SCHOOL

St. Matthew Lutheran Church's Mid-Week Religion School will take place 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 12, at the church, 5885 Venoy, Westland. The program is designed for children in grades one through eight and for adults who would like Lutheran instruction. Lynn Schroeder and Lillian Harthun are in charge of the program. There will be a charge for materials. Crafts are also planned. For information, call 425-0260.

LASTING RELATIONSHIPS

A seminar on "How to Build Lasting (Healthy) Relationships" will be offered Friday evening, Sept. 14, and Saturday, Sept. 15, at the First United Methodist Church in Northville. The seminar is sponsored by Solo Flight, a single adult call-in radio show. Lecture/presentations by Linda Limbers-Mitchell and Jacque Martin-Downs will be included, along with small group discussions. Single and married people may attend. Advance registration price is \$30. For information, call Master Key Book Store, 349-3066, or Single Point Ministries, 422-1854.

LIFE CARE MINISTRIES

Life Care Ministries, a Christian telephone talk line, is seeking committed, caring Christian volunteers to become telephone listeners. A 12-week training class will meet Thursday nights, beginning Sept. 13, at Ward Presbyterian Church, 17000 Farmington Road, off Six Mile, Livonia. For information, call 427-LIFE 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

MEN'S MINISTRY

Single Point Ministries of Ward Presbyterian Church offers a monthly opportunity for men to gather for fellowship. The group will meet 8:30-10:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 15, at Ward Presbyterian Church in Livonia. Al Kunley, director of Youth for Christ, will speak on the topic "Intimacy, a Biblical Approach." Admission is free of charge. For information, call 422-1854.

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League plans antique show

The Plymouth Symphony League will hold its 26th annual Antique Mart in conjunction with the Plymouth Fall Festival.

Regular show hours will be 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 7, and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 8, at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer. A preview reception will be 7:30-10 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 6, at the Cultural Center.

Local dealer Peggy Blaisdell of Plymouth will have lamps and country items available. The show will include more than 20 dealers from Michigan, Indiana and Ohio, according to co-chairwoman Judy Lewis of Plymouth. The selection of furniture and collectibles will include prints, primitives, lamps, jewelry, silver, linens, English brass and copper.

European antiques will be sold, along with Victorian, classic country and English country items.

ON FRIDAY and Saturday, there

will be a "mini dell" for Antique Mart visitors. Sandwiches, salads and desserts from the Penniman Deli in Plymouth will be sold, and coffee and soft drinks will be available.

Proceeds from the antique show will support the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra. General admission to the show is \$3, and preview donation is \$15.

Judy Lewis and Judy Lore are co-chairwomen for the fund-raising event. Other volunteers working on the show are: Maret Garard, Michelle Dorrington, Michelle Marchand, Sharon Rucinski, Peggy Blaisdell, Rainy Kirchoff, Susan Schrader, Sue Decker, Cathy Kirkpatrick, Linda Clark, Jeanne Hutko, Johnnie Kelly, Pam Anderson, Dorothy Simescu, Barb Turner, Donna Keough, Eileen Dunn, Helen McKee, Mary Thomas and Clara Camp.

For more information, call 459-1358.

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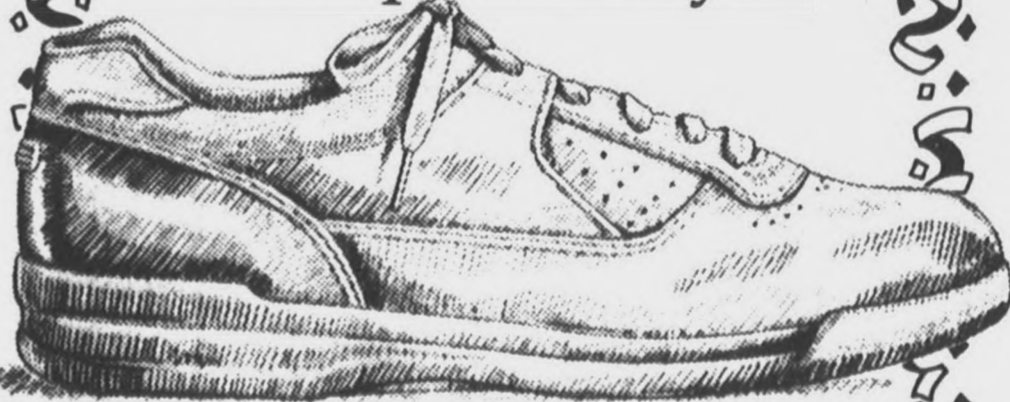
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Fall is mosey and poke time



crossroads
Iris Jones

We are planning a trip in early October to South Haven. Could you please give me information on South Haven and the surrounding cities we might visit? Toni, Livonia.

I want to take my son fishing in Lake Michigan somewhere between South Haven and Grand Haven. Any suggestions for fall? Keith, Novi.

- Fishing off the edge of a dock or from the deck of a charter boat.
- Walking down a small town street.
- Checking out the antique shops.
- Staying in a bed and breakfast.
- Walking an autumn beach.

These are some of the small pleasures along the southwest coast of Michigan in the fall; mosey and poke time.

Start by walking the beaches of South Haven in a sweatshirt. Most of the cottagers have gone, but the town is big enough so that it doesn't close down as some summer towns do.

You might still find a volley ball game on the beach, or you might just sit and watch the sun go down behind the lighthouse. A brave soul, who doesn't mind cold water, might even be windsurfing against the setting sun.

If you feel like being a tourist, go to the Lake Michigan Maritime Museum or call the Lakeshore Convention and Visitors Bureau at (616) 637-5252.

There are all kinds of things to do up and down the coast. Most people go north, and if they have seen the Dutch windmills of Holland, go on up to Saugatuck or even Grand Haven.

If you stand within the smell of the popcorn stand in Grand Haven, you can watch the pleasure boats cruising up and down the Grand River, follow the T-shirts along the boardwalk or visit the museum and old train cars at Harbor St. and Washington.

There is a large brass map set into the plaza there, so you can "walk" the Grand River as it meanders in brass past Grand Rapids to the sundial that marks Grand Haven.

Fewer people go south past Benton Harbor and St. Joseph to the small pleasure of that golden crescent of sand beach where Michigan finds its way towards the Indiana border.

It is well worth an hour or two touring the Cook Energy Information Center, where robots will explain nuclear energy to you in an educational and entertaining way.

It is also a great time of year to visit the wineries around Bridgeman or go on to the sand dunes at Warren Dunes State Park, where you can join the hang gliding enthusiasts or just sit and watch a glorious sunset.

If you really want to do it all, have a hamburger at Redamaks in New Buffalo where the main street ends at the lake, as it does in all these southwest Michigan towns.

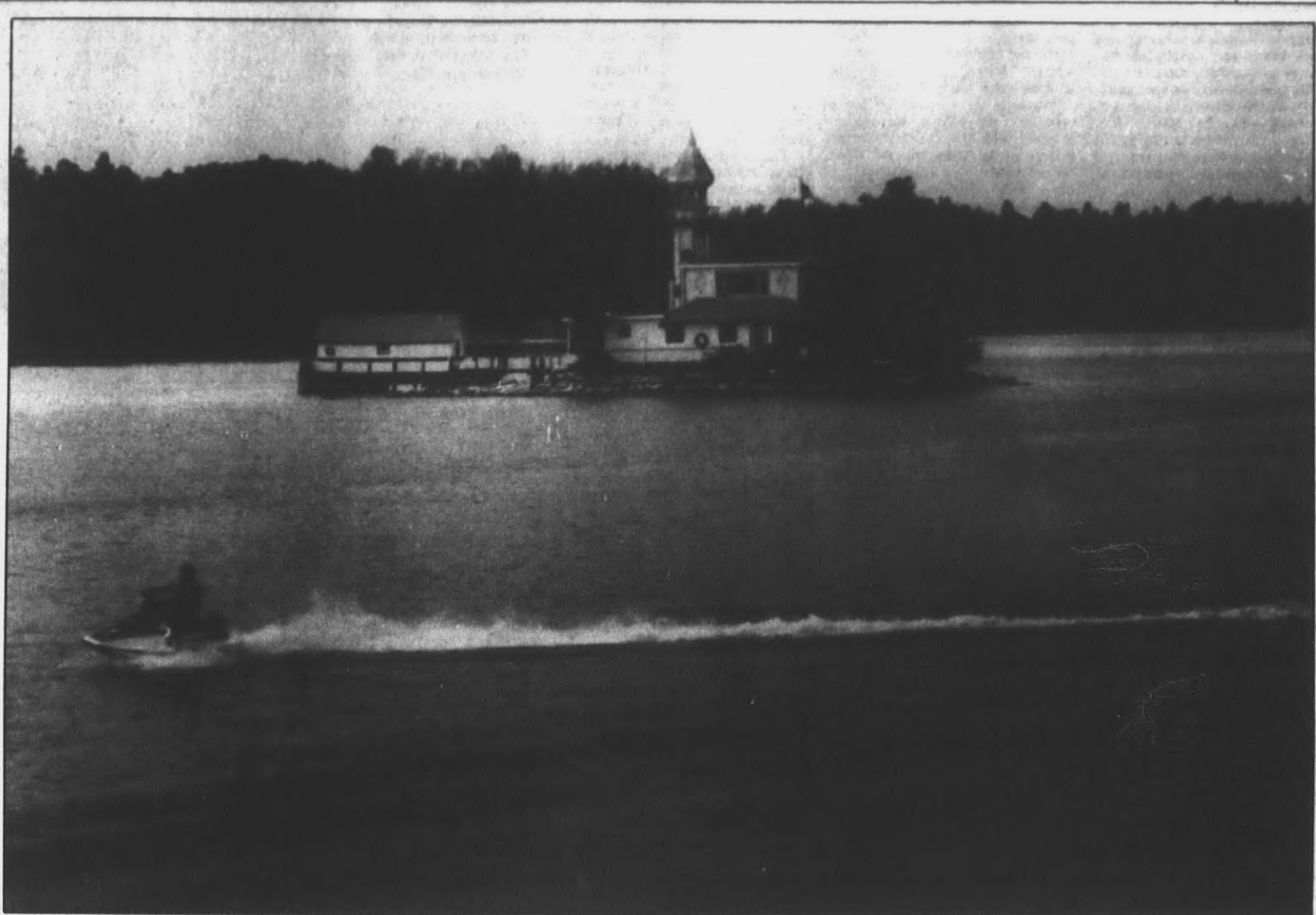
Pick up one of the many newsprint visitors guides available up and down the coast and check out the festivals, especially cider and apple festivals as well as Octoberfests. The southwest corner of Michigan is full of pick-your-own farms, although October is too late for most fruits and vegetables.

As for fishing: October is a great month for fishing in Lake Michigan. The water has cooled down so the fish are vigorous. The Great Lakes has good shore fishing for perch and walleye because the shore is warmer than the rest of the lake.

Charter fishing gets a new lease on life in October, when the fishermen go out after next year's salmon, which are not yet mature enough to go upstream. You may have to go north as far as Grand Haven to get the best late fall fishing, although I have seen fishermen standing on the rocks in Michigan City, Indiana, in October, hauling them in.

For more information, contact the Southwestern Michigan Tourist Council, 2699 M-139, Benton Harbor, 49022 or call (616) 925-6301. Or call the state tourist office at 5432-YES.

Iris Jones is travel editor for Camden Publications, serving Suburban Communications Corporation publications.



A jet-skier motors past Dollar Island, a tiny place just large enough for one quaint summer cottage and a boathouse at Les Cheneaux. JULIE CANDLER

Autumn shades color lake views

By Julie Candler and Allen Hayes special writers

Nearly everything is more fun on a boat. That includes seeing the fall colors.

Nature's autumn palette of crimsons, oranges, greens and golds looks fine when viewed from a concrete highway. From a boat, the colors are even more spectacular because they're bordered by iridescent, reflecting waters. So here's our report of some Michigan waters on which you can immerse yourself in color to right or left, from the familiar comfort of your own craft.



Candler

AUSABLE RIVER
We start our tour of the mighty AuSable at the hospitable little town of Oscoda, where the river empties into Lake Huron.

From here small motor boats can go up the river nearly all the way to the first of six Consumer Power Company dams.

Along the way we meet Bob and Sue Schmidt, of AuSable. "In mid-September you'll see a lot of boats along here, especially near Foote dam," Bob said. "The chinook salmon will be coming up the river to spawn."

Because of the dams that supply electric power to nearby communities, you can't navigate the river in one pass. And in some of its sections the water averages from one and a half to three feet deep, so boaters have to watch for deadheads and other submerged hazards.

These waters are ideal for canoers, who can portage around the dams. Every July, two-person teams compete in the annual AuSable River Canoe Marathon. They start at the river's beginnings near Grayling and paddle at 60 to 90



Hayes

strokes per minute for 14 hours or more. They cover a distance of about 70 miles as the crow flies.

This river does not run as the crow flies, however. It meanders entrancingly through a forested wilderness for 240 miles. It passes through the sand-hills of the Huron National Forest, which extends over 425,000 acres.

We visit the flooded pond above Foote dam, the first and the lowest of them. We find a lake-like area with developed campgrounds, picnic areas, beaches and launching ramps, much like the ponds above the other dams on the river.

But in many parts of the AuSable we feel we are hundreds of miles from civilization. The wildlife thinks so, too. Bill Csapo, a National Forest Guide, tells us with pride that there are 14 pairs of bald eagles now nesting between Grayling and Oscoda, all having chicks every year.

Bill works at the visitor's center at the Lumbermen's Monument, which is 260 steps above the river about 14 miles west of Oscoda.

Looking down through the trees, we have an eagle's eye view of a fishing boat. It seems like a waterbug cutting a tiny silver wake from behind Horseshoe Island.

We have a delicious and inexpensive lunch at the attractive Lakewood Shores Golf Club near Oscoda. Their newly completed condominiums are for rent in a special fall color package at \$30 per person for one mid-week night, including unlimited golf on its 18-hole course. Call (800) 882-2493.

The peak color time in this area is from mid-September to mid-October. As for overnight lodgings, this part of the state boasts that prices are more moderate on its "Sunrise Side." We recommend the Holiday Inn at East Tawas, 15 miles down the Lake Huron shore, with a Michigan harbor of refuge next door. Call (800)-HOLIDAY.

For more lodging information, contact Oscoda-AuSable Chamber of Commerce, (517) 739-7322, or the Tawas Area Chamber of Commerce, 1-800-55TAWAS.

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Mountain pilgrimage Swiss travel 'combo' is picture-perfect ride

By Doris Scharfenberg special writer

If there is any kind of jet flight into Lucerne, I never want to take it. In the heart of Switzerland, Lucerne should be approached only at ground zero, on mountain roads or across long, deep lakes. A sense of pilgrimage is part of the excitement.

On a country-wide tour a friend and I didn't want to miss this quintessential Swiss city, so after "Arrivederci, Lugano" it was "Guten Tag Lucerne" via train and boat, a new travel combo called the "William Tell Express."

The W.T. Express is a train-addict's train. You're not hermetically sealed in but can stand and open windows, feel the rushing air, and take pictures without a glass barrier. Skimming through a narrow valley and several tunnels (some tunnels spiral inside the mountain) the William Tell speeds through vistas of pure grandeur in the Gotthard Pass; over places it once took weeks to get through.

Too soon we reached the lakeside depot in Fluelen, where 60 seconds were allowed to sprint from train to a waiting boat. Time is the art of the Swiss, I remembered.

On the *Viewwaldstattersee*, Lake Lucerne, snowy peaks became remote, but green mountains and rock cliffs kept up the drama, 'til they became pleasant hills at the north end of the lake. The chalet villages seemed idyllic. To tell passenger natives from tourists you merely note who is staring across the rail and who is not.

We were sailing the "Stadt Luzern," an antique paddlewheeler being TLC-ed toward its second century of service. In the elegant small dining room (green plush chairs, morning glory light fixtures, a Victorian sideboard) we could dawdle over lunch, watch scenery and read how this region gave birth to the Swiss Confederation. The towns where we stopped for passengers had once known the legendary Herr W. Tell himself.

Everyone got off at Lucerne, crowning the north end of the lake, but concerns about luggage and getting a taxi to the hotel limited my chance to look around. I did note the huge train station nearby (train-boat transfers are part of Swiss travel), and children playing near a fountain with a bronze horse. Throbbing tour buses lined the curbs.

Our cab darted through traffic that was probably schooled in New York, passed a castle-like turret and covered bridge and came abruptly to the Rebstock Hotel. Small, moderate, modern, and with an excellent outdoor restaurant. Its location seemed close to everything and we were pleased.

In the late afternoon I walked back to the wooden covered bridge (Kapellbrücke; Chapel Bridge) angling across the Reuss River for pedestrians. The "castle" turned out to be a



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The 1819 *Lowendenkmal*, Lion Monument, is a tribute to Swiss mercenary troops killed in the French Revolution.

Lucerne Express goes over mountains, through valleys

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1333 water tower, popular item on Lucerne posters. Flower boxes trimmed the span and cheerfully photographed by tourists, but the somber "Dance of Death" paintings on inside roof supports (to remind man of his mortality) drew only puzzled glances.

I kept walking as a lowering sun put the tower and nearby ancient buildings in a golden haze. People were feeding a flock of swans; laughter was on the rise from riverside cafes. I began to notice other towers lit by spotlights and standing guard over dormer-loaded rooftops. I gazed in all directions, charmed to my teeth.

It was love.

At breakfast my friend had a glassy look. Her room turned out to be an echo box for the cathedral bells, only 200 yards or so away. "Every hour! Little bells in the night, big bells after 6 a.m. Big bells go mad at 7:30." I hadn't heard a thing and offered to alternate rooms.

We toured the great Swiss Transport Museum (from sleds to space-craft) and explored the Lucerne Collegiate Church, the twin-steeped landmark that nearly did her in.

The bells were easier for her to take the next night so we window-shopped in Muhlenplatz and climbed towers on the Museggmauer, a section of Lucerne's medieval wall. At day's end we stood in front of Lowendekmal, famed 1819 carving

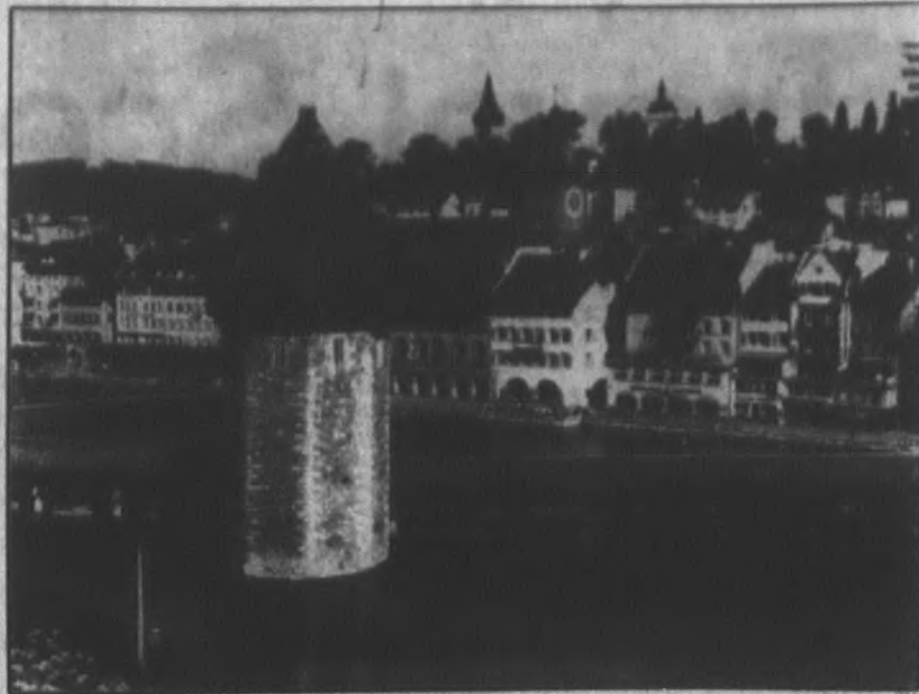
of a dying lion, a tribute to Swiss mercenary troops killed in the French Revolution. Mark Twain called it the saddest piece of rock in Europe.

I felt a little sad myself. There wasn't time to visit the Museum of Fine Arts, see Picasos at the Am-Rym-Haus, ride a cablecar to the top of Mount Pilatus, have lunch at the Old Swiss House or go to a concert.

We left, caught by changes in 20th century schedules, yet I have a sense of expectancy. A journey to Lucerne never ends. The road will make a U-turn soon.

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Day 11: Munich Today is completely free for shopping, or private sight-seeing. An optional excursion to Herrenchiemsee Castle is available. Tonight a fabulous farewell dinner with dancing, folklore entertainment and Bavarian Brass band music.

Day 12: Depart Munich Following breakfast, depart for Munich Reim Airport and our Lufthansa Boeing 747-400 return flight to Detroit.

EUROPEAN LUXURY

Boats give a better view of Michigan's fall colors

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LES CHENEAUX

Les Cheneaux means "the channels" and is pronounced "lay shen-oh." It is often called "the Snows" by the locals at the nearby villages of Hessel and Cedarville.

It's an archipelago of 36 wooded islands and peninsulas along the south shore of Michigan's Upper Peninsula. Some 20 miles northeast of Mackinac Island, it's a well-sheltered part of Lake Huron with the good winds, flat waters, and interesting places to explore so loved by sailors. There is a harbor of refuge at Hessel.

There were no roads in the area until the late 1800s, so early settlers communicated only by boat. Hotels sprang up on the islands and the mainland.

Vacationers began arriving by the thousands. "They came for the hotels, by steamer," attendant Alvina Firack said as we studied memorabilia in the historical museum in Cedarville. "The hotels are gone now. The last one was torn down about 1972. They weren't safe and people came up and built their own places."

From the water, we see the picturesque cottages and boathouses people built on the mainland and the islands. The buildings add their unique

charm to the blazing cedar, tamarack and yellow birch trees along the shorelines. Some of the cottages are still occupied by fourth generation family members.

We take a short cruise among the islands aboard the Chippewa. The motor ship is owned by the same Arnold Line whose steamers brought vacationers to the area in the late 1800s.

Chippewa's skipper is the handsome Jimmy Brown, grandson of the late U.S. Senator Prentiss Brown who obtained authorization to build the Mackinac Bridge. As we pull away from Hessel, our guide points out the Senator's boathouse, near the cottage where Capt. Brown spent much of his childhood.

The area reminds us of the Thousand Islands. Every twist in this maze of channels brings another island or passage into view. Some of the uninhabited coves and islands are rich with animal life.

Fall colors should peak here from mid-September to early October. You can get information about accommodations by calling the Les Cheneaux Chamber of Commerce (906) 484-3935. St Ignace is 35 minutes away, call its Chamber of Commerce at (906) 643-8717.

LAKE LEELANAU

We once spent a fine vacation on



JULIE CANDLER

Les Cheneaux is lined with picturesque cottages and boathouses. Some cottages along the shorelines are still occupied by fourth generation family members.

Lake Leelanau. We agree with the Indians, who named the Leelanau Peninsula "The Land of Delight."

We recommend it for fall colors because it's more like a river than a lake, with nearby wooded shores on both sides. It lies like a long, narrow cat-scratch along the little finger of the Michigan mitten. It is really two lakes, pinched in the middle like Mae West, at the little town of Lake Leelanau. The lower lake is bordered by a long range of sandy hills

on its eastern side and there are six public launching sites.

The strong winds off Lake Michigan once submerged both hulls of Allan's 20-foot catamaran into Lake Leelanau. He was able to resurface it without a capsizing, leaving a trail of boat cushions, sweaters and other flotsam. Jetsam floated out too, notably one shoe in which a passenger had placed his glasses for safekeeping. Neither shoe nor glasses were ever recovered. A few days later we

ceremoniously deep-sized the other shoe, while everyone sat at attention in the boat and we all hummed "Taps."

Leelanau County is wine country. You can see one of the vineyards, the Boskydel, from the lake. The gracious owners keep the vineyard open year round, seven days a week. They invite visitors to drop in between 1-6 p.m. any day except for major holidays. Call (616) 256-7272.

Fall colors here should peak from late September to mid-October. For places to eat and sleep, Leelanau County is dotted with wonderful restaurants and resorts. Sugar Loaf Resort in Cedar is 10 minutes from Lake Leelanau and has tennis and an excellent golf course. Call (616) 228-5461.

The Homestead in Glen Arbor offers fine food and tennis courts. Call (616) 334-5000. Both resorts are open until Oct. 22.

LAKE MACATAWA

Allan keeps his monohull sailboat docked at Holland on Lake Macatawa, which is connected to Lake Michigan by a short channel. The old lighthouse marking Macatawa's entrance is one of Michigan's most famous landmarks, and adds a bright red accent to the colors of autumn.

It lies directly across the channel from Holland State Park.

During the summer we see hundreds of boats passing through this channel, but by fall the crowd has thinned.

Macatawa is another long, narrow, well-wooded lake running from east to west, with inviting coves and intriguing headlands.

We enjoy sleeping aboard the boat on mild fall nights.

The water is usually flat and the traffic quiet except for an occasional boat passing us on the way in from Lake Michigan.

We hear the breeze in the rigging and feel a gentle rocking, and tend to sleep like we've been sandbagged.

We dock sometimes at Eldean's marina to enjoy the marvelous food at the Sandpiper, an attractive restaurant overlooking the lake. Call (616) 335-5866.

Holland is well-equipped for visitors because of the crowds it welcomes at tulip time. Fall colors are most striking from mid to late October. For information about overnight and other accommodations, call the Holland Area Chamber of Commerce, (616) 392-2389.

Julie Candler and Allan Hayes are freelance writers from Birmingham.

travelers' roundtable

New York 'lays an egg' with masterpiece

By Sally Sawyer

What is it? "I stared as we drove in eastern New York toward Albany, the state capital.

"A spaceship just landed," my husband teased. "I've got to see it!" I insisted. As we approached, it looked more like a concrete deviled egg surrounded by tall chess pieces.

The area is the Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller Empire State Plaza, a billion dollar architectural masterpiece. "The Egg," as it is affectionately called, is the centerpiece. The Performing Arts Center. It is flanked by four agency buildings and the Tower Building with an observation deck. From here you can see the Hudson River Valley, the Adirondacks, and the Catskills.

In the middle of The Plaza are three reflecting pools with playing fountains surrounded by marble benches. In one area, skating is permitted in winter. All eleven buildings are connected by a quarter mile concourse which includes shops, banks, and restaurants, and a New York State Vietnam memorial is housed in this area.

Also in the cluster is a convention center, a legislative building and a justice building. The old state capital is on its original site between State and Washington Streets.

Albany is 137 miles north of New York City on freeway 87 along the Hudson River. On October 6, 1978, The Plaza was dedicated to Nelson A. Rockefeller in honor of the former governor who had brought about its creation. (He died less

than a year later in 1979.) By the end of World War II Albany had realized it was desperately in need of more office space. By 1962, with Rockefeller's insistence, the idea of The Empire State Plaza was born.

It took from 1962 until 1978 to clear away the 1,150 buildings and more than 3,000 family units while the deteriorated downtown area was generally rejuvenated.

The architecture is overwhelming and yet calming because of the simplicity of its lines. We arrived at lunch hour and shared the beauty of the area with munching visitors, maintenance people and legislators. Farmers had set up produce stands between agency buildings. Nearby, in a playground, children were using swings, a sandpile and climbers. A visitors assistance center is at

the north end of the concourse. Guided tours, maps and often, entertainment is free. The Veterans Memorial Park is open seven days a week year round. The resource center and art gallery are open daily. Check with the visitors assistance office for hours.

One warning: if you park in the huge facility under The Plaza, write down where you parked, the level, row and number of the elevator.

"The Egg" is one of the most sophisticated performing arts centers in the country, and Albany's Empire State Plaza, an architectural wonder...a place of beauty that has become a major tourist attraction.

Sally Sawyer is a freelance writer from West Bloomfield.

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Self-help groups only part of the answer

SELF-HELP GROUPS, ranging from Alcoholics Anonymous to Parents Without Partners, have won wide support for helping individuals overcome personal difficulties.

But for many individuals with serious problems, self-help groups are not a substitute for professional treatment, according to a professor at the University of Michigan's School of Social Work.

A combination of strategies may be best, said Professor Thomas Powell. In cases of serious mental illness, especially when they are compounded with drug or alcohol abuse and other family problems, self-help programs coordinated with professional therapy may be the most effective remedy.

"It is no criticism of either self-help or professional services to say that they can do certain things well and other things not so well or not at all," Powell said.

Powell has received a \$1.8 million grant from the National Institute of Mental Health to establish a Center for Self-Help Research and Knowledge Dissemination at U-M. The center will research ways to coordinate self-help with professional care.

The U-M project will include researchers from the Michigan Department of Mental Health's hospitals and community programs, Michigan State and Eastern Michigan Universities and U-M's Schools of Social Work, Nursing and Public Health, Institute for Social Research and Medical Center.

The research also will involve the leaders of several self-help organizations — Manic Depressive and Depressive Association, Schizophrenics Association, Dual Recovery AA groups and consumer-run mental health programs.

POWELL AND his colleagues also

will research how autonomous self-help groups can be more effective and how persons with serious mental problems can be encouraged to make use of them.

"The instant recognition AA receives indicates the level of acceptance it has achieved with the general public, and it and other groups, such as Narcotics Anonymous, are often regarded as the most important long-term resource for recovery by professional therapists and treatment facilities," Powell said. "The mental health field needs similar arrangements with self-help groups."

In most cases, self-help efforts should be coordinated with professional therapy. However, it must also be recognized that many self-help groups have weak organizations, ineffective programs and few resources, Powell said.

"Under these circumstances, the fair-minded observer will conclude that self-help services have a way to go before they can become full partners with professional services," he said.

Ironically, through self-help programs, many people have become more aware of professional services

and more inclined to seek them out, according to Powell. In an earlier study, the U-M scholar found that members of Parents Anonymous who were also receiving professional therapy felt that the services complemented each other. Therapy was helpful in illuminating their difficulties and self-help support helped them deal with daily problems, he said.

Another problem of self-help groups is that they don't reach some segments of the population, Powell said.

WHILE IT IS "encouraging that

there are self-help groups for nearly every conceivable personal problem or problematic life situation . . . it is discouraging that most organizations, except for a few such as AA, do not have local chapters in anything but large communities and have too few chapters in most inner-cities," he added.

Self-help groups also "have an abysmal track record with members of minority groups," Powell said. Although several explanations have been offered for the low rate of minorities involved in self-help organizations, "the problem is that many

minorities don't feel welcome by many self-help organizations," he said.

Powell suggests that self-help groups could dedicate chapters to minority groups, just as they do for "other culturally homogeneous but privileged and largely white groups, such as businessmen and health care professionals."

Powell is author of "Self-Help Organizations and Professional Practice," published in 1987. He also edited "Working with Self-Help," a book being published by the National Association of Social Workers.

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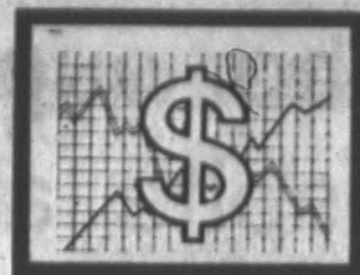
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Clean roads have friends in volunteers

By Mary Rodrigue
staff writer

Motorists may notice signs sprouting on Michigan highways that have nothing to do with traffic instructions or destination markers. The white sign with little green trees says "Adopt A Highway - M-DOT" followed by the name of a local business or civic group.

"The idea is for a community group or business to adopt a two-mile stretch of interstate, Michigan or U.S. roadway and agree to pick up litter four times a year on both sides of the road," said Scott Wheeler, project coordinator for the Michigan Department of Transportation.

The project was launched last April, but M-DOT has a related year-old program. The more comprehensive "Adopt A Freeway" asks businesses with properties abutting major thoroughfares to cut grass, plant shrubbery and pick up litter on the stretch that adjoins their business.

Alexander Hamilton Life Insurance Co. in Farmington Hills, Oakland Mall in Troy, and the cities of Troy and Southfield participate in "Adopt A Freeway." Eventually, the two state programs might be combined, Wheeler said.

The concept of grass-roots highway cleanup drives began in Texas about five years ago, according to Wheeler. He says about 25 states now have programs in place.

SERVICE CLUBS, Scouts, local

church or employee groups are asked to make a two-year commitment in the "Adopt A Highway" program. M-DOT supplies garbage bags, safety vests, safety literature and designates specific pickup periods in April, June, July and August.

"We have groups doing more than the minimum," Wheeler said.

Tru Green, a subsidiary of Waste Management Inc., has adopted I-275 between Six Mile and Eight Mile roads, straddling Livonia and Novi. Next spring the volunteers plan to seed the grassy medians with wildflowers.

"We were going to do it this year, but there's so much engineering involved," said Chris Wipp, a Waste Management employee who oversees the program.

Waste Management Inc. spent \$10,000 to provide the state program with the huge orange garbage bags used for clean-up. The August cleanup between Six and Eight Mile netted 56 bags of "all kinds of litter," Wipp said. Tires, windshield wipers - even a dead deer - were discovered during the last outing.

"Waste Management is a solid waste processor/recycler," Wipp said. "We feel strongly that waste should be disposed of properly. This program is an ideal opportunity for businesses to get involved. If we all pitch in together, we can make a difference."

CURRENTLY 280 applications have been received by M-DOT and 180 have been approved. M-DOT



ART EMANUELE/staff photographer

Local businesses and service clubs are getting involved in keeping area roadways free of litter.

estimates 300 businesses or organizations will be involved by the end of the year.

"The surprise to me has been the area with least participation is metro Detroit," Wheeler said. There has been a mere 20 applicants from Wayne, Oakland, Macomb and St. Clair counties combined.

The greatest response has come from Kalamazoo, Jackson and Grand Rapids. Waste Management's Grand Rapids division clears a 10-mile stretch of roadway in that city, Wipp said.

A tight budget (Wheeler estimates \$100,000 in start-up costs) has made publicity for "Adopt A

Highway" scarce. Not much has been done to publicize the program besides an initial mailing that went to approximately 1,000 groups around the state.

"I think the (highway) signs are going to stir more interest. We were late getting them up. But people are responding to the signs," Wheeler said.

The Plymouth Canton Civitan Club has adopted a two-mile stretch of M-153, the Plymouth Elks Lodge has a strip of I-275 and the Farmington Masonic Lodge volunteered to clean a stretch along I-696.

For more information, call the Southfield regional office of M-DOT at 352-9010.

Labor pool here is still strong

By David F. Stein
special writer

A national labor shortage as the baby bust generation - those born between 1965 and 1979 - enter the workforce has not had an impact on the local job market, according to an informal survey of employers.

The next decade is expected to bring dramatic changes as the children of the baby boom generation enter the work force. The number of 16- to 24-year-old job seekers will drop 10 percent from the current 22.7 million to 21.1 million in 1995. The core entry level workers aged 20 to 24 will decline 19 percent from a 1981 high of 16 million to just over 13 million in 1997.

Joining these entry level workers will be an increasing numbers of women, minorities and immigrants.

Many local companies have yet to feel the labor crunch. In Troy, nei-

'I've heard about the problem but think it will apply in a business by business case.'

— Dick McCracken
Ameritech

ther Ameritech Publishing with 700 workers nor Standard Federal with 1,000 employees are having trouble finding enough skilled workers.

"We're not experiencing any shortfall," said Dick McCracken, director of human resources for Ameritech. "I've heard about the problem but think it will apply in a business by business case."

At Standard Federal, director of employment Jim Wagner said that while Standard Federal has had as

many as 250 new hires annually, turnover in the first six months of 1990 is down from last year.

"We rarely have to advertise for jobs," Wagner said.

Unisys, one of Plymouth's largest employers, is also filling its job vacancies with ease, even for its engineering and manufacturing positions.

TROY-BASED Kelly Services is more sensitive to national trends.

"We are seeing increasing proportions of Hispanics as new workers in the Southwest, California and Florida," said Tom Anton, Kelly executive vice president and chief operating officer.

Anton estimates that Kelly spends \$4 million to \$5 million per year on training, a move spawned by trends in office automation over the last six or seven years.

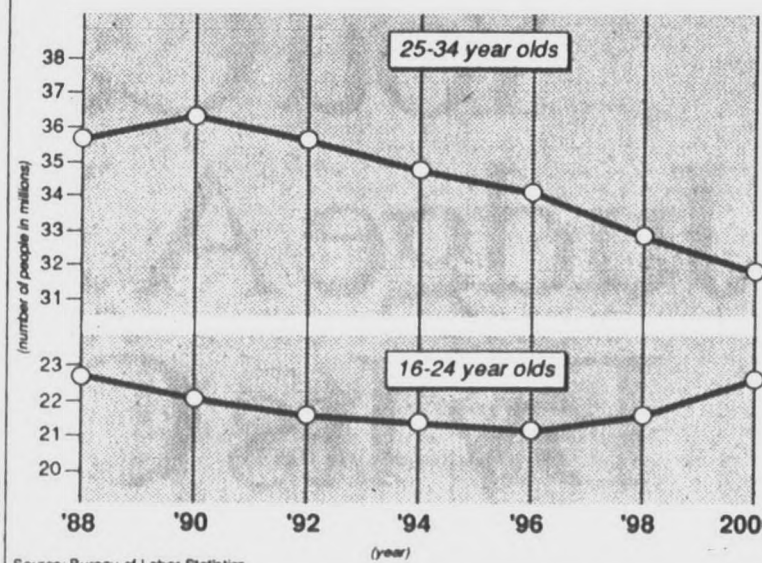
"We're in the training business to stay for a long period of time," said Anton, who sees a greater training role for all types of businesses in the future.

Kelly has developed flexible scheduling and a special Encore program for recruitment of older workers that may serve as large-scale trials for the nation's non-temporary, full-time work force.

Some companies have embraced

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But installing the right computer isn't just a matter of going out and buying the latest model. The process of converting your existing records and processes to a computer system can be lengthy and difficult. Here's some hints about making the right selection by the Farmington Hills-based Michigan Association of CPAs.

Before you visit your local computer store, ask yourself these questions: Do I really need a computer? What do I hope it will accomplish? Will it be cost-effective to install a new system?

What hardware and software will I need? Does the software already exist or will it have to be developed? How much will it cost to do the entire conversion and how long will that process take? How will I train my employees to operate the new system?

Whether you are converting from a manual system or upgrading your existing system, you should begin by evaluating your current operations and identifying problems. For example, late and inaccurate monthly financial state-

ments or slow turnover of accounts receivable may indicate that it is time for a new or better system.

Next, evaluate your current business procedures to determine which type of system will best satisfy your needs. For example, you may require a system to help reduce labor costs associated with high clerical involvement. Or you may need a system to help eliminate repetitive or numerous time-consuming tasks. Another reason to buy or upgrade a system is if your business requires mathematically complex calculations, highly accurate record keeping and timely preparation of reports.

A PROPERLY designed system can help you perform many of the critical business functions of your company, such as speeding the preparation of financial statements and reducing potential for clerical and computational errors in accounting and other administrative functions.

Software is the term given to the application programs that enable you to run specific tasks, such as word processing or spreadsheets, on the computer. Software comes in several varieties: general purpose, custom written or industry specific. But asking key questions can help you make the right choice.

For instance, how easy is the software to use? Are qualified installers nearby? What is the quality of the documentation? What is the reputation of the vendor for providing good support?

Hardware includes the computer, storage devices, terminals and printers. The hardware you select must be fully capable of accepting data, processing it and generating output within a reasonable time.

When you are ready to select computer hardware, consider the following factors: present and projected volume of data to be processed; amount of technical and service support you will receive from the manufacturer; the ease with which you can operate the equipment; the ability to expand or upgrade the equipment; and the reliability of the hardware, the vendor and the manufacturer. You should also take into account environmental considerations such as heat, noise and electrical requirements.

After you review your current procedures and determine your software and hardware needs, develop a plan for implementing the system. Pay special attention to selecting computer operators and to setting up a training program.

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Labor supply is still OK despite lack of youths

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special programs to attract workers and maintain a productive environment. At Valassis Inserts in Livonia, Wendy Crawford, director of corporate human resources, said that demographics will make companies work harder to retain people and keep them happy.

"We have not experienced skills problems, but training is becoming a bigger and bigger part of maintaining Valassis as a great place to work," she said.

Among Valassis strategies: cooperative education programs with Stevenson and Churchill high schools and Schoolcraft College, recruiting trips to local colleges and universities, and a new in-house enrichment scheme called Valassis University.

Started last March, Valassis University offers courses such as stress management, time management, financial planning and wellness programs. Employees receive incentives ranging from \$5 to \$100 for completing courses during off duty time. Valassis employs 1,250 workers.

"ANOTHER ENHANCEMENT program, perhaps a model for big business, is found at Ford Motor Co.'s Livonia transmission plant, which has more than 3,700 hourly and salaried employees.

Ford workers can access a 14,000-square-foot training center opened last October that includes 18 study carrels linked to video recorders and

disc players as well as personal and mainframe computers.

In addition to receiving job training at the center, employees may elect skills enhancement programs, coordinated by a full-time educational adviser. Choices range from individual academic courses or special tutoring to high school completion and college degrees. For hourly workers, the Employee Development Training program is jointly sponsored by Ford and UAW Local 128.

One field already looking for entry level workers is health care.

"We are facing a shortage of younger workers and a shortage of skilled professionals," said Robert Godek, director of human resources for St. Mary Hospital in Livonia.

Godek believes that young people have not had enough exposure to health care roles other than nurse or physician.

"The real problem for us is getting people into programs," Godek said. "Rewarding careers are available in areas like laboratory technology, radiation and respiratory therapy, cardiovascular technology and nuclear medicine."

About 125 of St. Mary's 1,300 employees participate each year in the hospital's tuition assistance program, often advancing to new health care jobs.

St. Mary is also increasing efforts to plant the seed with high school students.

"In addition to our career explor-

ing program, we have joined the new southeastern Michigan Health Council recruiting effort," Godek said.

ADVANCES IN technology and the increasing complexity of jobs will put even greater demands on 16- to 20-year-olds, but opportunities in health care will be great, Godek said.

By the year 2000, less than one eighth of job force entrants will be white, non Hispanic males, according to Malcolm Cohen, director of the University of Michigan Institute of Labor and Industrial Relations. Still, added Cohen, the workforce will grow 1 percent per year from 1988 to 2000, one half the growth rate of the previous 12 years.

Eighty five percent of managers of companies with over 5,000 employees surveyed at the 1990 American Management Association convention foresee a crisis in skilled labor. This compares with a 76 percent response last year.

business people

Sharon S. Weast was appointed manager of advertising and sales promotion for Freudenberg-NOK of Plymouth. Most recently she was the advertising supervisor at D-M-E Co., a major supplier of tooling to the plastics industry. Before that, she was the advertising manager for Federal APD, a division of Federal Signal Corp.

Heleen La Pointe was named the new account executive for Maritz Corporate Travel Co. in Livonia. She will be responsible for bringing new accounts to the company and servicing existing accounts. She had been with a full incentive travel company.

Gary Ouellette of Redford Township completed his sixth year as a master foreman with the Davey Tree Expert Co. Ouellette, an 11-year employee of Davey, is master foreman for the South Detroit Full Service territory. He is a graduate of the Davey Institute of Tree Science and works in the Plymouth office. Ouellette holds a bachelor of science degree in forestry.

George Bridges was appointed

manager, project planning of Plan Tech's Livonia office. Bridges joined Plan Tech in 1989 as a senior planner.

Barbara Owens was named director of development for the University of Michigan-Dearborn. She is director of individual gifts for the Detroit Symphony Orchestra Hall, a position she has held since 1988.

Marie Johnson, director at Hope Nursing in Westland, recently was approved and certified by the National Certification Council for Activity Professionals as an Activity Director Certified.

Timothy Clarke of Livonia has become an attorney with the law firm of Kitch, Saurbier, Druchas, Wagner & Kenney in Detroit. Clarke is a graduate of the Thomas M. Cooley Law School.

Brad Graber was named executive director for ambulatory care development and strategy at the DMC Health Care Centers, a subsidiary of the Detroit Medical Center.

As such, he will be responsible for strategic planning and development and physician recruitment for the five DMC Health Care Centers, including the Livonia center. Graber had been director of marketing and communications at Providence Hospital in Southfield, where he had worked for seven years.

Pam Dickey of Redford Township, a Discovery Toys educational consultant, recently returned from Atlanta where she attended the international toy company's 12th annual national convention.

Scott Schnoor of Canton Township, sales representative of Spring Air Mattress Co. of Detroit, qualified for membership in the Chicago-based Spring Air Co.'s "President's Club." This is the first year Schnoor has qualified for the President's Club, which honors high sales.

Kenneth Wolkens and Edgar Rich, members of the service staff at Livonia Mazda on Plymouth Road, participated in a warranty administration training seminar in Detroit.

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Air bag can't protect the nut that holds the wheel

I've been hearing, but still don't quite know how to take it, that the American public is finally getting interested in safety in cars.

This is enough to make me feel my age, since I remember 'way back when even safety belts weren't required, and the subsequent decades-long debate over airbags, better brakes, and other major advances — most commonplace on the family automobile today.

Actually, I don't remember anybody advocating unsafe cars in all those years. Mainly it was a debate over money — cost of the improvements to be more precise, with a couple of side issues involving personal responsibility.

The latter debate seemed to draw in the genuinely strange advocates, including the Hells Angels, who successfully lobbied the California legislature to repeal the state's motorcycle helmet laws.

RALPH NADER, of course, who found the true nerve center of public opinion by playing Crusader Rabbit against General Motors, the company then making the biggest, safest cars on the road, ignoring worst, most noticeably the Volkswagen Beetle and various British sports cars, apparently because Nader's growing political constituency drove mainly imported cars.

Even today, this line of reasoning prevents wholesale criticism of Japanese automobiles, which regularly do poorly in crash testing. Strangely, a growing consumer movement in Japan has begun that insists only

Japanese cars made to U.S. safety standards are good bets, and a small but noticeable trend has begun to buy those cars for Japanese domestic use.

I'D ALSO argue that the airbag — probably the best single safety device invented after the seat belt — was too long delayed because of the personal philosophy of its advocates. Ever since the technology was developed in the early 1970s, airbags have been promoted as mainly a convenience feature — easier to use than a seatbelt, but not really an improvement.



auto talk
Dan McCosh

Manufacturers have been going along with this because they don't want to be accused of installing less-than-best technology, and also because the investment to equip all cars is indeed tremendous.

The Naderites have mainly stuck

with the populist approach, insisting that any fool can do anything with 3,500 pounds of iron and steel and not be held personally responsible, and even a task as simple as buckling a seat belt is too much to ask, hence airbags for idiots.

THE REALITY is that air bags are remarkably safer when added to a competent seat belt system, and I believe that if this were acknowledged long ago and promoted as best-available technology we would have seen them accepted long before this.

Curiously, I still feel with all the new emphasis on safety and safety-related technology, there is something missing from the equation. That is the sense of responsibility that simply must accompany driving a car on the public roads.

It wasn't so long ago that several

local high school athletes died from exhaust fumes after drinking a couple of beers in a parked car owned by one of their parents. A strange sort of witch hunt ensued to find the person who sold them the beer — probably the last person actually responsible, after the kids who died and the parent who gave them the dangerous car.

Unfortunately, safety often comes down to a reasonable amount of common sense and a sense of respect for a potentially dangerous machine. If more of this comes out of the new found interest in auto safety, I'm all for it.



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● COMMUNICATION TRAINING

Thursday, Sept. 6 — International Communication in Training Club meets at 7 p.m. at the Dearborn Civic Center, 15801 Michigan Ave. The club is for public speaking training. Information: 563-0361.

● CREDIT MANAGEMENT

Thursday, Sept. 6 — Free one-hour workshop, "Effective Credit Management," begins at 6 p.m. at the fieldhouse of the University of Michigan-Dearborn, 4801 Oakman Blvd., Dearborn. Information: Roxanne Lopetrone, 581-4400 Ext. 249. Sponsor: Detroit College of Business.

● MARKET RESEARCH

Friday, Sept. 7 — Free one-hour workshop, "Monitor Your Market Through Your Sales Force," begins at 4 p.m. at the fieldhouse of the University of Michigan-Dearborn, 4801 Oakman Blvd., Dearborn. Information: Roxanne Lopetrone, 581-4400 Ext. 249. Sponsor: Detroit College of Business.

● dBASE REFRESHER

Saturday, Sept. 8 — dBase III and IV refresher course offered 5:30-10:30 p.m. at the Ryder Industrial Center, Schoolcraft at Newburgh in Livonia. Fee: \$99. Includes dinner and 90 days of telephone support. Information: Rhonda R. Hundley, 473-1819. Sponsor: Microsystems Training & Software Support Services.

● SUCCESSFUL INVESTING

Monday, Sept. 10 — Free investment education seminar 7:30-9:30 p.m. at Mt. Hope Congregational Church, 30330 Schoolcraft, Livonia (north service drive, I-96 one-quarter mile west of Middlebelt.) Topic: "Successful Investing the NAIC Way." Sponsor: National Association of Investors Corp.

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● ENROLLED AGENTS

Tuesday, Sept. 11 — Michigan Association of Enrolled Agents meets at 6 p.m. at the City Tavern, 14316 Michigan Ave., Dearborn (between Greenfield and Schaefer). Non-member fee: \$16. Information: 245-1792.

● HARVARD GRAPHICS WORKSHOP

Tuesday, Sept. 11 — Harvard graphics workshop offered 5:30-10:30 p.m. at the Ryder Industrial Center, Schoolcraft at Newburgh in Livonia. Fee: \$99. Includes dinner and 90 days of telephone support. Information: Rhonda R. Hundley, 473-1819. Sponsor: Microsystems Training & Software Support Services.

● BUSINESS MARKETERS

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Last April, Wisconsin officials watched in surprise as a \$65 million municipal bond issue, scheduled to be offered for six days, sold out in three. The appeal was that these



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If junior is almost ready

If your child is almost ready for

college and you or the grandparents have saved some money for college, annuity with a twist (discussed several weeks ago in this column) may be appropriate for you. It will provide a guaranteed income 82 percent of which will be tax-free.

I have touched on just a few of the options open to you. An in-depth discussion of all major options will be discussed at the seminar, details of which are given below.

Seminar: "Education Funding by Parents and Grandparents" and "Retirement Income - Guaranteed, Safe, and Tax-Favored," sponsored by the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers and Coordinated Financial Planning, will be 7-9 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 25, in the offices of Coordinated Financial Planning, Sheffield Office Park, 3250 W. Big Beaver, Suit 540, Troy 48064.

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Matthew Lesko, president of Information USA, has recently published an excellent reference manual called "Government Giveaways from Entrepreneurs" (Edition II). In it, Lesko not only presents answers



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to almost any question you may have on the subject of government money programs, but does so in an easy-to-read and humorous fashion.

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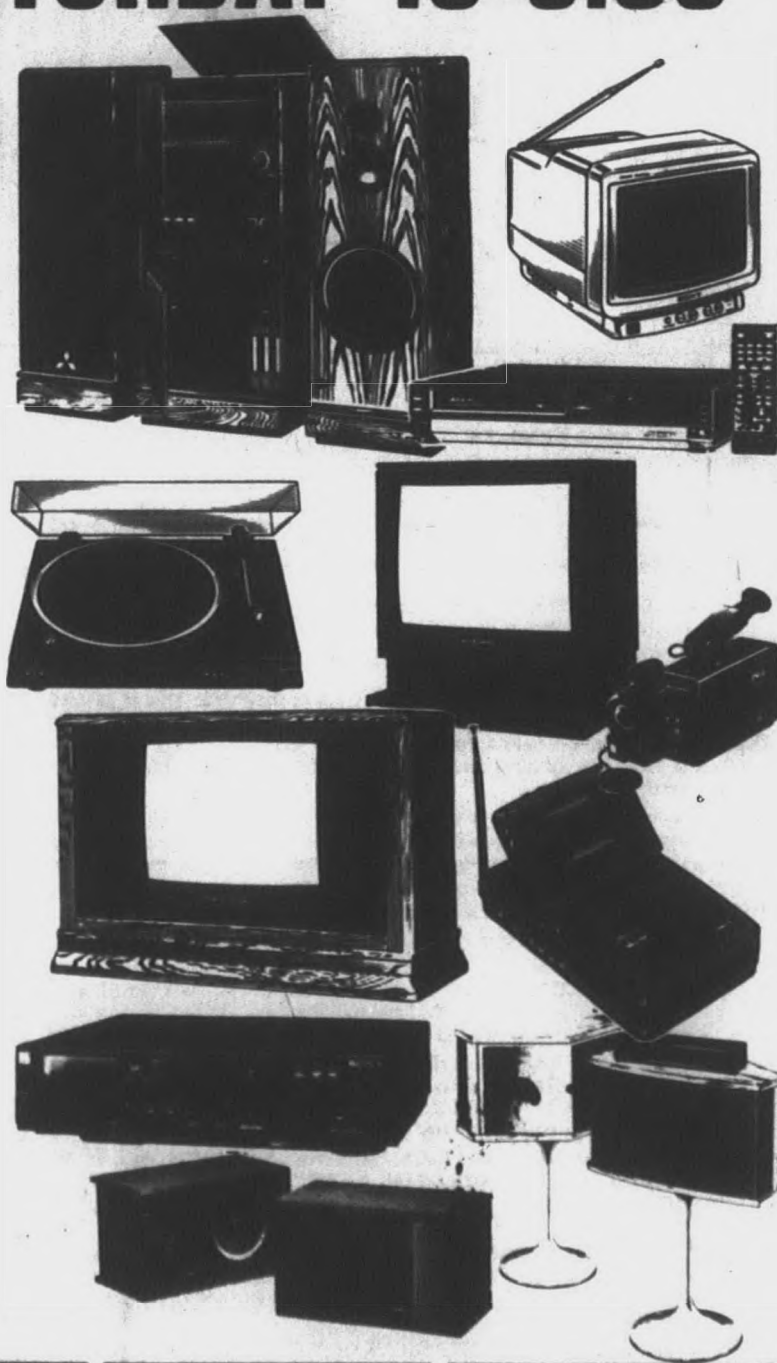
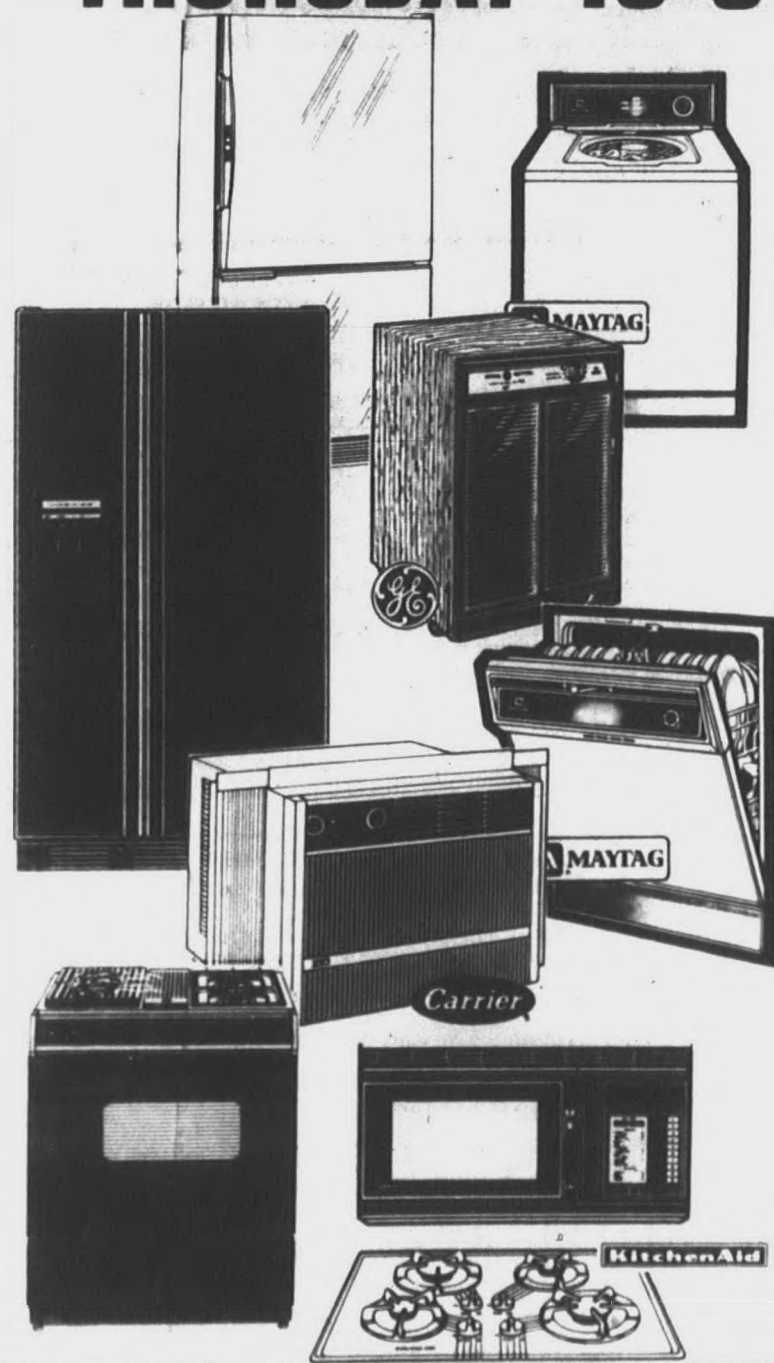
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PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS WAYNE AND WASHTENAW COUNTIES, MICHIGAN

Notice of change in location of three Regular Board of Education Meetings. The following Regular Meetings of the Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, Wayne and Washtenaw Counties, Michigan, will be held at the following locations:

September 10, 1990 - Field Elementary School - 1090 S. Baggerty Road Canton, MI 48188
 October 8, 1990 - Pioneer Middle School - 46081 Ann Arbor Road Plymouth, MI 48170
 November 12, 1990 - Farrand Elementary School - 41400 Greenbriar Lane Plymouth, MI 48170

ROLAND J. THOMAS JR. Secretary, Board of Education

Published: September 6, 1990

CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

DATE: SEPTEMBER 27, 1990
 TIME: 7:30 P.M.
 PLACE: Farmington Hills City Hall 31555 Eleven Mile Road Farmington Hills, MI 48336
 ITEM: Rezoning Request 5-7-90

The City of Farmington Hills Planning Commission will give formal consideration to a proposed amendment to the City Ordinance (Rezoning Request No. 5-7-90), which would rezone part of the northwest 1/4 of Section 2, City of Farmington Hills, County of Oakland, State of Michigan, being more particularly described as:

No. 23-02-108-005
 TIN, RBE, Section 2 part of W 1/4 of NW 1/4 beginning at point distant, N. 00°10'30" west 125 ft. from NW corner lot No. 16, Block "U" of "Farmington Heights", thence N. 00°10'30" west 177.50 ft., thence N. 89°48'30" east 200 ft., thence S. 00°10'30" east 178.43 ft., thence N. 89°57'00" west 200 ft., to beginning, 0.82 Acres. Vacant lots 1 to 5 inclusive, also Lots 41 to 48 inclusive and parts of Lots 9 and 40, block "U".

This property lies on the east side of Highview Avenue, south of Northwestern Highway. The above mentioned request would rezone the above-described property from its present RA-4, Single-Family Residential District classification to OS-1, Office Service District classification.

The proponents in this matter are G. Garmo and M. Karmo, who seeks this rezoning for office development.

Any person who is interested is invited to participate in the discussion of the proposed zoning change. Copies of the Zoning Text, Zoning Map, and Application for Rezoning may be observed at the Farmington Hills City Hall at 31555 Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills, Michigan on any business day between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

DALE A. COUNTEGAN, Director Planning & Community Development

Published: September 6, 1990

CANTON TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, October 1, 1990, at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following:

CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF THE REVISED MASTER LAND USE PLAN AND REVISED MASTER LAND USE PLAN MAP. THE MASTER LAND USE PLAN AND MASTER LAND USE PLAN MAP, IF ADOPTED, WOULD AFFECT NUMEROUS PARCELS OF LAND IN AREAS THROUGHOUT THE TOWNSHIP, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE FOLLOWING:

- GENERALLY WEST OF CANTON CENTER ROAD FROM SALTZ ROAD SOUTH TO GEDDES ROAD, THE PROPOSAL IS TO CHANGE THE AGRICULTURAL CLASSIFICATION TO RESIDENTIAL, 2 DWELLING UNITS PER ACRE.
- GENERALLY SOUTH OF KOPPERNICK ROAD SOUTH TO FORD ROAD BETWEEN LILLEY AND HANNAN ROADS THE PROPOSAL IS TO CHANGE THE LIGHT INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION TO OFFICE/INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH.
- GENERALLY THE LAND EAST OF I-275 BETWEEN CHERRY HILL ROAD AND MICHIGAN AVENUE THE PROPOSAL IS TO CHANGE THE RESIDENTIAL 1 DWELLING UNIT PER ACRE CLASSIFICATION TO RESIDENTIAL, 3 DWELLING UNITS PER ACRE.
- GENERALLY TO CHANGE THE MID-RISE DEVELOPMENT CLASSIFICATION ON EITHER SIDE OF HAGGERTY ROAD BETWEEN PALMER ROAD AND MICHIGAN AVENUE TO OFFICE/INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH.
- GENERALLY THE LAND SOUTH OF THE LOWER ROUGE RIVER SOUTH TO MICHIGAN AVENUE BETWEEN SHELDON AND LILLEY ROADS, THE PROPOSAL IS TO CHANGE THE CLASSIFICATION FROM RESIDENTIAL AND OFFICE TO OFFICE/INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH.
- GENERALLY THE LAND SOUTH OF THE LOWER ROUGE RIVER SOUTH TO MICHIGAN AVENUE BETWEEN CANTON CENTER AND SHELDON ROADS THE PROPOSAL IS TO CHANGE THE RESIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION FROM 1 DWELLING UNIT PER ACRE TO 3 DWELLING UNITS PER ACRE.
- GENERALLY THE LAND SOUTH OF FORD ROAD SOUTH TO CHERRY HILL ROAD BETWEEN BECK AND CANTON CENTER ROADS THE PROPOSAL IS TO CHANGE THE RESIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION FROM 1 DWELLING UNIT PER ACRE TO 3 DWELLING UNITS PER ACRE.
- GENERALLY THE LAND SOUTH OF MICHIGAN AVENUE ON BOTH SIDES OF SHELDON ROAD THE PROPOSAL IS TO CHANGE THE RESIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION FROM 4-5 DWELLING UNITS PER ACRE TO LIGHT INDUSTRIAL.
- MOST OF THE LIGHT INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFIED LANDS SOUTH OF MICHIGAN AVENUE BETWEEN CANTON CENTER AND MORTON TAYLOR ROADS IS PROPOSED TO BE CHANGED TO LIGHT INDUSTRIAL.

The Master Land Use Plan is the general guide to determining where selected land uses will be located. It is the framework which supports Township Zoning Policies and is commonly referred to as the "future" land use plan. It is not the same as a zoning map.

The public is invited to attend this meeting and offer comments, suggestions or objections. Copies of the proposed Master Land Use Plan and Master Land Use Plan map are available for public inspection at the Office of the Clerk, at 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI, during normal business hours.

JOHN BURDZIAK, Chairman Planning Commission

Published: September 6 and 27, 1990

Pastor serving Army in gulf crisis

By Brenda Dooley staff writer

While in the U.S. Army, Terry Rebert heard the phrase "be prepared" over and over again.

Still, he was taken aback when notified that he'd been called to active duty and was headed for Fort McCoy, Wis., as part of Operation Desert Shield.

Rebert, 38, was to be installed Sept. 9 as pastor at the Crown of Life Lutheran Church at Adams and Dutton roads in Rochester Hills.

Instead, he left the morning of Aug. 30 for Fort McCoy, where he'll serve in a U.S. Army Reserve unit as a military chaplain for 90 days.

"If shooting starts we'll be there a lot longer," Rebert said. "And if negotiations start it could be shorter."

REBERT HAS been in the U.S. Army's military reserves program for 2 1/2 years, earning the rank of first lieutenant.

He has five months left of his three-year commitment to the reserves and is one of thousands of men and women who have been mobilized to protect U.S. interests in the Persian Gulf.

Rebert's duties at Fort McCoy will include counseling soldiers who are having problems adjusting to their assignments, conducting worship services and boosting morale.

REBERT ACCEPTED the pastoral position at Crown of Life in August, replacing the Rev. Holger G. Cattau, who left the church in De-

ember 1989 to be minister at a Florida church.

The military assignment came at a bad time in his personal life because he was looking forward to starting the new ministry, he said. At the same time, Rebert understands that "these things happen," he said.

"When you first find out you go through an emotional whirlwind. I was in shock, thinking this can't be happening."

Then I realized the consequences and dynamics of what I was meant to do. It's come around to be a challenge to minister the calling and that's what I'm going to do."

ALTHOUGH HE was on military alert, Rebert wasn't expecting to actually be called into active duty, he said.

"We thought if we got through last Friday we'd be pretty safe. And surprise, surprise, surprise."

He'll serve in the 5064th U.S. Army Garrison at Fort McCoy.

A Dearborn resident, Rebert has worked for the past year for the Lutheran Child and Family Services of Michigan in its Southfield office.

He was a parish pastor for two Chicago churches and Redford Lutheran Church, and has 10 years of experience in the ministry.

REBERT STOOD before his Rochester Hills parishioners Aug. 28 to tell them the news of his departure.

"He was in his military fatigues so we knew something was going on," said Alice Pearson, church secretary.

The congregation is supportive of Rebert's military responsibility, he said. Church members view it as a way of giving something back to the community, he said.

"The parishioners have been out-

standing in supporting me through this."

ALSO LENDING support is Rebert's wife, Karen, who will soon begin a student teaching position in the Troy School District.

The couple will be apart on their third anniversary. As a way of dealing with the separation, Rebert's wife plans to start a support group for spouses who have partners serving in the U.S. Army, he said.

While he's away, the congregation at Crown of Life will "keep the faith" and ask guest preachers to temporarily fill Rebert's shoes.

Rebert won't be replaced as the church minister, Pearson said.

"It's been a long time without a pastor," she said. "He's still going to be our minister when he gets back. We'll just be patient and hope and pray for peace."

News that's closer to home

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Michigan will accept sealed bids up to 10:00 am, September 20, 1990 for the following:

FIRE DEPARTMENT SUPPLIES

Specifications are available in the Financial Services Department. The Township reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

LOREN BENNETT Clerk

Published: September 6, 1990

PUBLIC MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS WAYNE AND WASHTENAW COUNTIES, MICHIGAN

By-Law No. 9014.1: Regular Meetings—Time, Place, and Notification

Regular meetings of the Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, Wayne and Washtenaw Counties, Michigan, shall be held on the second and fourth Mondays of each month (except the second Monday in June and the fourth Mondays in December and May) at 7:30 p.m. at the following location unless otherwise directed by a majority vote of the members:

Board of Education Offices
 454 South Harvey Street
 Plymouth, Michigan 48170

No further notice of such meetings shall be given to the members.

By-Law No. 9015.1: Special Meetings—Time, Place, and Notification

Special Meetings of the Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, Wayne and Washtenaw Counties, Michigan, may be called by the President of the Board, or any two members thereof, by serving on the other members a written notice of the day, time, and place of such special meetings, or by a majority vote of the Board.

Service of the notice shall be by:

- Delivering the notices to the members personally at least twenty-four (24) hours before such meeting is to take place, or
- Leaving the notice at the member's residence with a person of the household at least twenty-four (24) hours before such meeting is to take place, or
- Depositing the notice in a government mail receptacle enclosed in a sealed envelope plainly addressed to such member at his/her last known address at least forty-eight (48) hours before such meeting is to take place.

Services as above described may be made by a member of the Board or any employee of the Board.

PUBLIC NOTICE of each special meeting and of each rescheduled regular or special meeting shall be given by posting a copy of the NOTICE on the entrance to the Administration Building, 454 South Harvey Street, Plymouth, Michigan, at least eighteen (18) hours prior to the time of the meeting.

ROLAND J. THOMAS, JR. Secretary, Board of Education

Published: September 6, 1990

You may ask for agendas

Under provisions of Michigan's Open Meetings Act, you're entitled to receive notices of government meetings. A public body must mail notices to people who, on an annual basis, request such notification. Under the act, payment of a reasonable fee may be required before notices are mailed. This provision applies to all local, county and state governments. At the local level this includes city councils, school boards and various boards and commissions.

CANTON TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, September 10, 1990, at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance.

CONSIDER ADDING THE FOLLOWING USE IN THE GI - GENERAL INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT.

23.02 A. 14 COMPOSTING OF GRASS LAWN CLIPPINGS, TREE LEAVES AND OTHER ORGANIC RESIDENTIAL YARD WASTE.

Planning Commission JOHN BURDZIAK, Chairman

Published: August 16 and September 6, 1990

CANTON TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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CONSIDER MODIFICATION TO SECTION 9.03 A. SITE PLAN REVIEW TO ELIMINATE SITE PLAN REVIEW REQUIREMENTS FOR SEVERAL AGRICULTURAL ACTIVITIES.

Planning Commission JOHN BURDZIAK, Chairman

Published: August 16 and September 6, 1990

PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE NO. 83.54

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH BY AMENDING THE ZONING MAP. THE TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS:

Part I. The Zoning Ordinance No. 83 of the Plymouth Charter Township, is hereby amended by amending the Zoning Map, by changing those areas indicated on the Amended Zoning Map No. 59, attached thereto, and made part of this Ordinance.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION
 Part of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 21, Town 1 South, Range 8 East, Plymouth Township, Wayne County, Michigan, described as follows: Beginning at the South 200 feet from the Northwest corner of Section 21, thence North 86 degrees 26 minutes east 753.33 feet; thence South 200 feet; thence South 86 degrees 26 minutes west 753.33 feet; thence North 200 feet to the Point of Beginning. Except the West 70.15 feet taken for road.

ORDINANCE NO. 83
AMENDED ZONING MAP NO. 59
 PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN
 ADOPTED BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES ON 8/28/90
 EFFECTIVE DATE 9/27/90

Part II. CONFLICTING PROVISIONS REPEALED. Any Ordinance or parts of Ordinance in conflict herewith, are hereby repealed.

Part III. EFFECTIVE DATE. The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to take effect on September 27, 1990.

Part IV. ADOPTION. The Ordinance was adopted by the Township Board of Charter Township of Plymouth by authority of Act 184 of the Public Acts of Michigan, 1949, at a meeting duly called and held on the 28th day of August, 1990 and ordered to be given publication in the manner prescribed by law.

Adopted by the Township Board of Trustees on August 28, 1990 Effective Date September 27, 1990

Published: September 6, 1990

PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE NO. 83.53

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH BY AMENDING THE ZONING MAP. THE TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS:

Part I. The Zoning Ordinance No. 83 of the Plymouth Charter Township, is hereby amended by amending the Zoning Map, by changing those areas indicated on the Amended Zoning Map No. 58, attached thereto, and made part of this Ordinance.

Part II. CONFLICTING PROVISIONS REPEALED. Any Ordinance or parts of Ordinance in conflict herewith, are hereby repealed.

Part III. EFFECTIVE DATE. The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to take effect on September 27, 1990.

Part IV. ADOPTION. The Ordinance was adopted by the Township Board of Charter Township of Plymouth by authority of Act 184 of the Public Acts of Michigan, 1949, at a meeting duly called and held on the 28th day of August ordered to be given publication in the manner prescribed by law.

Adopted by the Township Board of Trustees on August 28, 1990. Effective date September 27, 1990.

Published: September 6, 1990

EMU raises tuition

Tuition increases ranging from 4.7 to 8.2 percent were recently approved by Eastern Michigan University trustees.

Lower-level undergraduates will face a \$3 per credit hour increase. Tuition is \$62.75 per credit hour.

Upper-level undergraduates will face a \$5 per credit hour increase. Tuition is \$66 per credit hour.

Resident graduate students will face a \$6.50 per credit hour increase. Tuition is \$89.50 per credit hour.

Estimated tuition is now \$2,066 for lower-level undergraduates, up

from \$1,975. It is \$2,169 for upper-level undergraduates, up from \$2,014. Tuition is estimated at \$2,262 for resident graduate students, up from \$2,106.

Tuition was also increased \$10-\$15 per credit hour for out-of-state students.

Students living in EMU residence halls were exempted from paying the university's new student activity/utility fee. The fee is \$47 per semester for fall and winter semesters. It is \$23.50 per semester for spring and summer classes.

Minority studies grows

A new bachelor of arts program in African American studies was established by the Eastern Michigan University Board of Regents at their Tuesday, Aug. 14 meeting.

The new degree program was created because of increasing academic recognition of African American studies, its importance in understanding American and world history and its usefulness in career preparation for careers in communications, education, human services,

public administrations, public relations, law, humanities and social and behavioral science.

The program requires nine credit hours of core courses and 21 hours of restricted electives, with at least three open elective credit hours of further study.

The program will cost \$97,000. cost will be absorbed through a reallocation of funds through the division of academic affairs.



JIM JAGDFELD/staff photographer

Summer's gift

Michigan Youth Corps workers completed several projects in the western Wayne area this summer. Those pictured, Jamie Harris, left, Gerry Tucker and supervisor Tom Andrew are preparing the base of a tree for woodchips. The trio worked at the Wayne County Intermediate Schools building in Romulus.

News that's closer to home

Garden City Kiwanis Presents

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 1990
Registration — 8:00 - 9:00 a.m.
Races — 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.
Awards — 10:45 a.m.

Hines Park between Outer drive and Ann Arbor Trail. Staging area at Nankin Mills, on the south side closest to Ann Arbor Trail

EVENTS	
9:00 a.m. 10K (6.2 miles) and 5K (3.1 miles) runs begin simultaneously	
9:05 a.m. 5K (3.1 miles) "Wonder Walk" (non-competitive)	
9:45 a.m. 10K (6.2 miles) "Road Ramble" (non-competitive bicycle ride)	

AWARDS	
RUNS — Custom awards: 1st, 2nd, 3rd place all groups. Special awards to overall male, female runners. Finishers eligible for prizes and drawings.	
WALKS — Ribbons for all finishers; also, they are eligible for prize drawings.	
RIDES — Ribbons for all finishers; also, they are eligible for prize drawings.	

Everyone is eligible to win a prize for the most money raised by an individual

GROUPS	
13 years and under	40-44 years
14-18 years	45-49 years
19-24 years	50-54 years
25-29 years	55-59 years
30-34 years	60 and over
35-39 years	Developmentally Disabled

PRIZES	
• Medals for each of the 12 groups of runners; 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prize for male and female	
• Best overall male and female runners.	
• All finishers of all events receive ribbons	
• Team raising the most money	
• Individual raising the most money	
• Prize drawings	

TEAM CHALLENGES

Teams of four or more runners, walkers and cyclists in any combination, may participate. Each team member must pay the registration fee and raise a minimum of \$50 in pledges. Team members are also eligible for individual prizes.

ENTRY FEES	
MAIL-IN REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Friday, August 24, 1990	
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community calendar

Family activities

BALLET AUDITIONS

Saturday, Sept. 8 - The Plymouth-Canton Ballet Company will hold open auditions for The Nutcracker Ballet at Joanne's Dance Extension, 9282 General Drive, Suite 180 in Plymouth. Dancers 9-12 may audition at 12 p.m.; 13 years and up, 1 p.m. Male dancers are needed. Proper attire is requested. Girls bring point shoes. Audition fee is \$5. Performance will be Dec. 1 at Salem High School Auditorium. Regular rehearsals will be on Sundays. Call 455-4330.

FARMER'S MARKET

Saturdays, 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. - Farmer's Market is at the Gathering, on Penniman Avenue in Plymouth. (Open through Oct. 20, with the exception of Sept. 8.) Call 453-1540.

DISCOUNT TICKETS

Canton Parks and Recreation Services offers discount tickets to Bob-Lé, Cedar Point, Canada's Wonderland, Detroit Zoo, Geauga Lake, Greenfield Village, Kings Island,

Michigan State Fair, Sea World and The Beach Waterpark - also golf discount coupons for Fellows Creek Golf Course in Canton. Call 397-5110.

Hobbies

SWEET ADELINES WOMEN'S CHORUS

Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. - Spirit of Detroit Chapter-Sweet Adelines Harmony International is a women's chorus devoted to the singing of four-part harmony, barber shop style. Group meets locally year round. Visitors and new members, welcome. Call 534-4468.

Education

FREE CLASSES

IBM Training/GED - Plymouth-Canton Community Education offers free IBM training to qualified applicants, as well as classes to those over 18 who want to prepare for the GED exam. Call Mrs. Frey at 451-6555.

COMPUTER USAGE AVAILABLE

Four Apple II's and one IBM computer are available for public use in the Dunning-Hough Library, 223 S. Main, Plymouth. Call 453-0750.

Health care

ADULT FOSTER CARE

Foster care is needed for adults with mental retardation. Call 332-4410 in Oakland County or 455-8880 in Wayne County.

DIET CENTER

Body composition testing done for

all area Plymouth residents. Call 453-3080. Walk-ins welcome.

WALK FOR THE HEALTH OF IT

Mondays-Fridays, 10 a.m. - Meet in the St. John Neumann Church Parking Lot on Warren between Sheldon and Canton Center. Also Thursday, 6:30 p.m. Call Ed at 455-9042.

WEIGHT WATCHERS

Meetings are Monday-Thursday and Saturday at the P&M Canton Shopping Center, 42043 Ford Road at Lilley Road. Call 1-800-462-7466.

ADULT STUTTERING

Wednesdays, 5:30-6:30 p.m. - A Therapy Group is being formed by

the Department of Speech Pathology at the Oakwood Canton Health Center, 7300 Canton Center Road in Canton. Call Janice Pugno, 459-7030.

FAMILIES ANONYMOUS

Thursdays, 8 p.m. - A self-help program for those concerned about drug abuse and behavioral problems of a relative or friend is held at St. John Neumann Church, 44800 Warren in Canton. Call 453-2811.

TOUGH LOVE

Mondays, 7 p.m. - A parent support group dealing with teenage behavior meets at Faith Community Church, 46001 Warren Road in Canton. Call 981-5967.

Seniors

FREE LEISURE CLASSES

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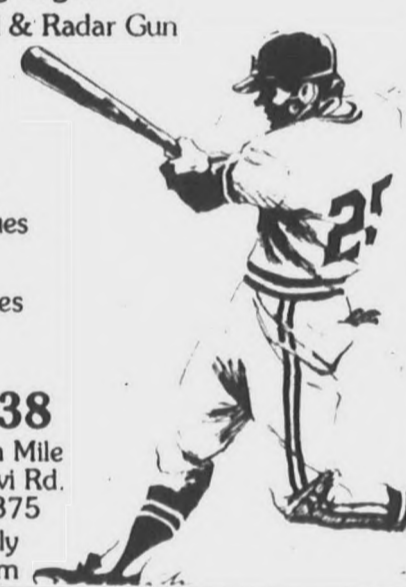
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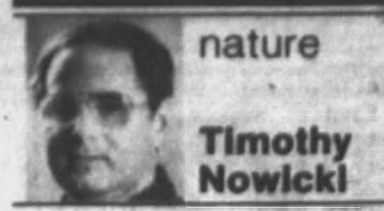
Dead branches are more common and they are often used by birds to build their nests. Abandoned woodpecker holes are occupied by other hole nesters such as chickadees and titmice. They are dependent on woodpeckers or natural cavities for nesting sites since they cannot excavate holes in hard wood.

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Mammals seek refuge inside the tree, too. During the cold months of winter, raccoons, squirrels and opossum find warmth and protection in dead tree cavities.

Hawks can often be seen perched on leafless dead branches because they can see so much better without the leaves obstructing their view.

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Defending champs short on experience

Canton tennis in rebuilding phase

By Dan O'Meara
staff writer

Plymouth Canton is the defending Western Lakes Activities Association co-champion in girls tennis, but the Chiefs might find it difficult to retain that title.

Canton lost seven of its 10 varsity players to graduation and will be a team marked by inexperienced this year, coach Carol Michaels said.

The Chiefs have only three players with varsity experience — senior Leann Gurchak, junior Denise Gildo and senior Reetika Aulakh — and they will move into the Nos. 1-3 singles positions this year.

"All of the others are totally new," Michaels said. "We are not the same team we were in the past. We're going to try real hard, and we're hoping to end up 50/50. Maybe the girls will surprise me but I don't know."

"We are an inexperienced team this year, but everyone has worked hard and has improved from last season. We hope to be competitive. Time will tell."

GURCHAK AND GILDO were the No. 1 doubles combination last year. With so many positions open, Gurchak will be the top singles player, Gildo the No. 2.

Aulakh, who was half of the No. 2 doubles team, moves up to No. 3 singles, and junior Jennifer Davis rounds out the singles lineup at No. 4. Davis, however, is currently sidelined with a sprained ankle.

Seniors Lorena Sanford and Gina Fuerst appear to be the new No. 1 doubles team, but they're being challenged by senior Dorothy Pao and sophomore Pam Reynolds.

Fuerst and Davis are among the seven returning letter winners on the team. Sanford is a first-year player but a good athlete. She is regarded as one of Canton's top newcomers along with freshman Ellen Gaston.

The other doubles combinations will come from a group of players that includes senior Jenny Schafer, sophomores Kelly Caulfield, Shazia Ahmed, Anne Zachary and Kelly Blanche and Gaston.

Michaels expects Northville, which shared the WLAA title with Canton and returns many of its top players, to remain a league power.

The Mustangs won the Western Division dual-meet title last year, but Canton, which was 12-1 in duals, won the WLAA tournament and forced a co-championship for the overall title.

The Chiefs begin the season today with a non-league match against Ypsilanti at home.



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Leann Gurchak moves up to the No. 1 singles position for Plymouth Canton after playing No. 1 doubles last year. The Chiefs enter the 1990 season as defending co-champions with North-

ville in the Western Lakes Activities Association. Gurchak is one of only three returning varsity players, however.

Chiefs like potential in cross country

Ream leads veteran squad

By Dan O'Meara
staff writer

After several years of trying, Plymouth Canton finally overtook Farmington as Western Lakes Activities Association boys cross country champion.

Now the Chiefs must attempt to stand their ground and play King of the Hill. And they just might have what it takes to do it.

Despite some major graduation losses, Canton returns enough quality runners to be considered a contender once again.

The Chiefs, who won the Schoolcraft, Redford Union and Ypsilanti invitationals, captured a regional title and finished seventh in the state, won't easily replace Brian Beach, Matt Boland and Matt Hall.

Beach was an all-league and all-state runner. Boland and Hall, who never missed a varsity race in four years, were all-division people. Beach runs for Wayne State University, Boland for the University of Detroit.

SENIOR MIKE Ream heads a list of returning runners who have

boys cross country

enough experience to possibly keep the Chiefs near the top. Ream was second for Canton and seventh overall in the WLAA race, earning all-league honors last year.

Canton coach Jim Hayes expects Walled Lake Western, with Bill Crosby, Jeff Grosso and Brandon Keeney back, to be a formidable opponent in the Western Division and the WLAA.

"I think we have a pretty good team," Hayes said. "I don't know if we're good enough, but we hope to be competitive with them."

"We chased Farmington High School for five years, and it didn't seem to bother them much. We're looking forward to getting the season started."

In addition to Ream, the Chiefs have a deep senior class that includes Jason Napolitano, Ryan McClain, Chris Nelson, Jason Crain,

Jim Carnes, Scott Ryan and Ray Adamski. Ream and Napolitano, another all-division runner, are co-captains.

In the second time trial last week, Ream was running No. 1 followed by Crain, Carnes, Nelson and Napolitano in the top five. A pair of sophomores, Shawn McNamara and Dave Yack, were sixth and seventh, respectively.

THOSE SEVEN and junior Mark Ealovega and McClain are likely to be the varsity runners this year.

McNamara and Ealovega are returning runners as are junior Jeremy Sung and sophomores Justin McClain, Mike Boland, Justin Sarach and Bill Gildhaus. Junior Pat Anthony is a first-year runner like Yack who could help right away.

"We're looking forward to racing somebody," Hayes said. "I'm looking forward to the season, and we've got a nice group of boys. A lot of them worked (out) this summer, and I'm real encouraged."

Hayes is still looking for potential runners. High school boys interested in being on the team should ask for Hayes at the Phase III gym office.



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Mike Ream is the top returning runner on the Canton team.

Salem girls count on experienced duo

By Dan O'Meara
staff writer

Jill Czapliski and Corey Gulkewicz will be important figures on a Plymouth Salem girls cross country team short of experienced runners.

The Rocks, who were 2-4 in dual meets and sixth in the Western Lakes Activities Association, graduated four of their top five runners, including Jennifer Harris.

"We think we're going to be better," Salem coach Mike Krafchak said. "The problem we have is (lack of) experience."

"Corey and Jill are the only ones in the top seven who are experienced cross country runners. We've got kids back but don't have the experience up front."

Gulkewicz, a sophomore, was the No. 1 runner as a freshman last year until stress fractures ended her season prematurely. Czapliski has done an excellent job of filling the leadership role that Harris had on the team, Krafchak said.

SENIORS ANDREA Kinnelly and Kristen Bernhardt, junior Karla Kerhier and sophomore Sharon Bansal return, also.

The top newcomers are juniors Beth Turomsha and Marsha Woodburn, sophomores Kelly Morante and Stacey Whittoff and freshmen Emily Farrell and Julie Cutting.

Whittoff has been running times similar to what Harris did last year, Krafchak said. At summer camp, she was running in the No. 1 position until being beaten by Gulkewicz during a scrimmage Saturday.

Kinnelly was hampered last year by a recurring foot injury that is a problem this year, too.

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The Michigan Hawks '74 girls soccer team won the Greensboro (N.C.) Labor Day Shootout under-19 championship.

The Hawks defeated four opponents by a cumulative score of 20-0. The final pitted the Hawks against the Greensboro Shamrock Rovers, and Kara Nance scored both goals in the Hawks' 2-0 victory.

The Hawks are Regen Coyne, Julie Dwyer, Molly Ferguson, Lisa Grace, Tracy Morrell, Kristi McGough, Nance, Natalie Neaton, Kim Popyk, Dana Pososki, Jennifer Root, Patty Shea, Alicia Smith, Lisa Thomas, Amy Werthman, Kristen Westveer and Shannon Wilkinson.



Amy Smith earned all-area honors

Chiefs expect to contend again

By Ray Setlock
staff writer

Plymouth Canton's hope for the 1990 girls cross country season is to reclaim the league championship it relinquished to Farmington last year.

The Chiefs are working toward a fifth straight Western Division title, but they were runners-up to Farmington in the Western Lakes Activities Association meet after winning overall honors in 1987 and '88.

With some outstanding talent back from a team that was 6-0 in dual meets, third in its region and 12th in the state, Canton believes it could possibly overthrow the Falcons, who look to be strong again, too.

girls cross country

"If our team matures and improves, we could contend for the conference title," fifth-year coach George Przygodski said. "And, hopefully, we can return to the state meet, competing in the team race."

THE CHIEFS return nine lettermen to this year's squad, which also won the Gibraltar Carlson Invitational.

Fine runners such as Missy

Jasnowski, Adrienne Garrow, Kim Rice and Lori Penland have all departed, but junior Amy Smith returns to lead Canton.

Smith, an All-Oberverland selection last season, finished 17th at the state meet.

"Amy is a great racer," Przygodski said, "and we are looking for great things from her this season."

Juniors Kim Gudeth and Anne Dibble and sophomore Lara Antczak also will contribute heavily this season. Along with Smith, all competed in the regional and state meets last year. Gudeth was 51st at the state meet.

"Kim came on very strong at the end of last season," Przygodski said.

"She should be very competitive for us this season."

THE CHIEFS also return juniors Carolyn Way, Alison Way and Michelle Diamondy, senior Nicole Kozma and sophomore Sue Anne Farrir.

The top newcomers are senior Heather Meyer and freshman Lana Boroditsch. Meyer was on the team as a sophomore but didn't compete last year because of injuries. Przygodski expects her to be one of the top seven runners.

Carolyn and Alison Way, Meyer and Boroditsch are competing for the other three varsity positions behind Smith, Gudeth, Dibble and Antczak.

● SOCCER TRYOUTS

The Michigan State Youth Soccer Association is having tryouts for the Girls Olympic Development Program state teams.

The tryouts, open to all players in Michigan, will take place 5:30-8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 7, 14 and 21, at Bicentennial Park in Livonia. Girls born in 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1977 and 1978 are eligible. The on-site registration fee is \$50.

The coaches are Brian Borde, Nick O'Shea, Doug Burroughs, Paul Scicluna, Dave Hicklin, Mary Kay Boots, Pete Kowall and Scott Forrester. For information call Kathy Coyne (522-0296).

● GOLF LESSONS

A five-week golf class is being offered every Tuesday at Fox Hills Country Club. Lessons will take place on the Golden Fox Driving Range, 8768 North Territorial Rd.

The fee is \$50. Golfers can register for the one-hour sessions at 5, 6 and 7 p.m. at those times or pre-register by calling 453-7272. Golf pro Dick Loring will teach every aspect of the golf swing.

● SWIMMING NEWS

The Plymouth-Canton Cruisers Swim Club begins a new competitive season 6 p.m. Monday, Sept. 10, in the Salem High School pool, and new swimmers are welcome to attend. The Cruisers have been league champions eight consecutive seasons. For information call 459-6074.

● STEELERS FOOTBALL

The Steelers Junior Football program still has openings for its varsity team. Boys age 12 or 13 who weigh 100 to 145 pounds are eligible. Boys age 14 who weigh between 100 and 135 pounds are eligible, too. There are waiting lists for all other teams and squads. Call Sue Herman at 455-7299 to inquire about the varsity openings.

PCA runners ready to roll

By Dan O'Meara
staff writer

Plymouth Christian Academy might not have many runners on its cross country team, but the Eagles are nonetheless ready to start the season.

The six runners and coach Dave Bauslaugh spent the last week of summer vacation running from the school to Mount Brighton in stages over a five-day period, camping along the way.

"The kids are pretty proud of that," Bauslaugh said. The Eagles have the minimum number of five boys — enough to post a team score.

Plymouth Christian got a boost when sophomore Eric Jefferies transferred after Redford Temple Christian closed last spring. He has been holding down the No. 1 position in preseason practice.

THE EAGLES also return sophomores Scott Franz

and Sunil Bhat, and freshmen Dave Smith and Jon Hyslop round out a young Plymouth Christian squad.

"It's a young, inexperienced team," Bauslaugh said. "I'm just hoping to bring these young kids along and improve their times. I see a lot of promise in the new runners."

Bauslaugh expects defending Michigan Independent Athletic Conference boys champ Lutheran Westland to be the team to beat again. Southfield Christian and Lutheran Westland have formidable girls teams.

Plymouth Christian has only one female runner, junior Nanci Perrine, who returns for her second year. The Eagles won't be able to compete as a team in girls meets, but Perrine will run exhibition races against female competition.

The Eagles begin their season today at Cass Benton Park against Warren Bethesda, Lutheran Westland and Oakland Christian.

Eagles start with cage victory

Plymouth Christian Academy center Jenny Moore scored a game-high 17 points as the Eagles routed Springfield Christian 64-31 in their season opener Tuesday.

The second half.

Dana Botwick scored 14 points and contributed five steals to North's cause.

Joanna Pascucci led Novi with 17 points.

The Raiders play at Waterford

Mott Tuesday.

In a game played last Wednesday, North fell to host Berkley 43-36. Clear and Botwick led the Raiders with 19 and 12 points, respectively. Jo Davis paced Berkley with 20 points.

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Boyle finishes season

Boyle Chevrolet, a modified fast-pitch softball team, finished 1-2 over the Labor Day weekend at a national tournament in Meadville, Pa.

"All in all, the team did well this year," coach Dave Brubaker said. "We had five guys in their first year of playing this game, so it looks promising for the next five or six years."

Boyle, which finished 35-13, opened the tournament Saturday, stroking 14 hits in beating Penn Bank 12-5. The winning pitcher was Jerry Staszel, who surrendered 10 hits and two walks.

Doug Kirkpatrick was 3-for-4, and Tim Robinson, Brian Tiller and Dave Brubaker had two hits each. Boyle scored five runs in the seventh inning, with Brubaker, Tim Bowden and Jim Foster slugging run-scoring doubles and Dan Pierce stroking an RBI triple.

Boyle suffered its first loss later Saturday, 1-0, to Roaches (N.Y.) Garage. Staszel was the loser, although he allowed only three hits and two walks. Mike Kesson had Boyle's only hit.

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Miller, Farr ponder futures

TUESDAY'S BRIGHT SUNSHINE evoked contrasting greetings from two guys who want to make a game their livelihood.

Both John Miller and Mike Farr had been waived by the Detroit Lions a day earlier. That meant any team in the NFL could claim them. None did.



C.J. Risak

For most of those waived, it also meant the team they had spent the past several weeks training with a team that no longer wanted them. Look for something else to do, was the unspoken — but all too clear — message. You'll never make it in the NFL.

Neither Miller nor Farr are ready to give up the game. Not just yet. Both firmly believe they can play pro football.

Miller may never get another chance. The Lions kept just the two starting safeties when they waived Miller and Herb Welch. They re-signed Welch after he cleared waivers.

Muddling the picture further, the Lions signed another defensive back, waived by the New York Giants, on Tuesday. "I don't know what's going on," said a disappointed, disillusioned Miller, a Farmington Harrison and Michigan State graduate.

FARR'S PRO plans seemed far brighter. After clearing waivers, he was re-signed by the Lions. The former Birmingham Brother Rice and UCLA standout at wide receiver will be on the roster when Detroit opens its season Sunday against Tampa Bay.

"Ever since I was a little kid, I dreamed of playing in the NFL,"

said Farr, son of former Lion great Mel Farr. "Then I had to sign as a free agent . . . I was upset about that."

Ah, but all's well that ends well, right? And Farr can at least see sunshine in his future. Miller's hopes are bleak at best.

What bothers Miller most is trying to figure what went wrong. If some part of his game were weak, if he needed to improve his tackling or pass coverage or defensive reads, well, OK. He could handle that.

It would be concrete, tangible. A problem? I'll fix it.

That's not the case, however. "It's frustrating for me," he said. "I felt I played good enough to make the team."

"Whether it's a numbers game or not, other guys who didn't play well enough to make the team, whatever their position, made the team. I thought I did too."

Miller served as back-up to starting free safety Bennie Blades throughout training camp. He was also on all the special teams. He played with the first unit most of last week, making him think he would start the final exhibition game at Cincinnati.

INSTEAD, MILLER played one quarter. "In the back of my mind, I knew I was on the bubble," he admit-

ted. "I knew it was coming down to three safeties. They said it was between me and Herb Welch (for the final roster spot)."

"Last year, there was a point where I thought I wouldn't be around. But then I made the developmental squad. I never thought I'd get cut this year. I thought I'd played well enough to win a spot on the team."

"I don't think I could do anything differently."

Miller was cut for one basic reason — speed, or lack of it. He runs about a 4.6 40-yard dash.

That makes his future in football murky. No team is interested in — by pro standards — a slow-footed defensive back.

"They told me to keep in shape and be ready," Miller said of his Lions' farewell. "They said sooner or later, I'd be back."

"But that's tough. Maybe if I had some money, I could afford to do it. But I'm out looking for work now. If they call me back this season, I'd drop what I was doing and do it. But if they don't call back this year, forget it. I'm not going to just keep hanging around."

FARR CAME into training camp determined. After a record-setting career at UCLA, Farr had two bad days — and they came at the worst times. The first was in the Blue-Gray All-Star game; the second was at the NFL combine in Indianapolis.

HUNTER EDUCATION CLINIC

A hunter education clinic will be held Saturday and Sunday, beginning at 6:45 a.m. at the Michigan State Fairgrounds.

Michigan Department of Natural Resources Hunter Safety Certificates will be awarded to any participant, 12 years old or older, who successfully completes both days of the clinic. Any person born on or after Jan. 1, 1960, must have a DNR Hunter Safety Certificate to obtain their first hunting license.

Participants should report to the Ford Building located on the Fairgrounds. The clinic is free, but participants must provide their own lunches and beverages. There will be a fee for parking.

Call the 1990 Hunter Education Clinic Hotline at 680-3636 for more information.

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KLEPPERT SCORES AGAIN

Rochester's Pat Kleppert continued his bid to win the Operation Bass Redman Tournament Trail Michigan Division championship with a sixth-place finish recently at a qualifier on Saginaw Bay. After three of the six qualifying events, Kleppert leads the Michigan Division with 127 points (27.14-ponds).

Kleppert placed sixth on Saginaw Bay with a five-bass limit catch which tipped the scales at 11-pounds, 15-ounces.

Lee Kelley of Michigan Center won the Saginaw Bay qualifier with five bass which weighed-in at 14-pounds, 9-ounces.

At the completion of the six Red Man qualifying events, the top 30 anglers, determined on a basis of pounds and points, will advance to the Regional Classic, where they will compete against the top 30 anglers from four other divisions. The top 10 finishers from the Regional Classic advance to the \$150,000 Red Man All-American where the winner will receive \$100,000. All Red Man events are catch-and-release events.

Rochester's Art Ferguson is also in the chase, currently holding down 33rd place in the Michigan Division.



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W.L. Western at Westland Glenn, 7:30 p.m.
Northville at Ply. Salem, 7:30 p.m.
Farm. Harrison at W.L. Central, 7:30 p.m.
Romulus at Garden City, 7:30 p.m.
Trenton at Wayne Memorial, 7:30 p.m.
Red. Thurston at Taylor Kennedy, 7:30 p.m.
Wat. Kettering at Redford Union, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 8
Redford CC at Lansing Sexton, 1 p.m.
St. Alphonsus at Luth. Westland, 1 p.m.
Liv. Churchill at N. Farmington, 1 p.m.
Ply. Canton at Farmington, 1 p.m.
Red. Bishop Borgess vs. Bridgeport at Garden City Junior High, 7:30 p.m.

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Saturday, Sept. 8
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Liv. Churchill at K'zoo Central, 2 p.m.

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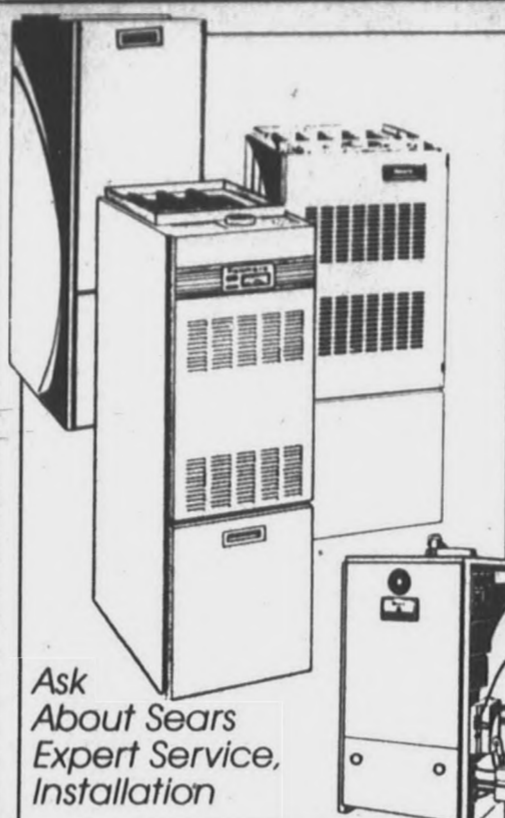
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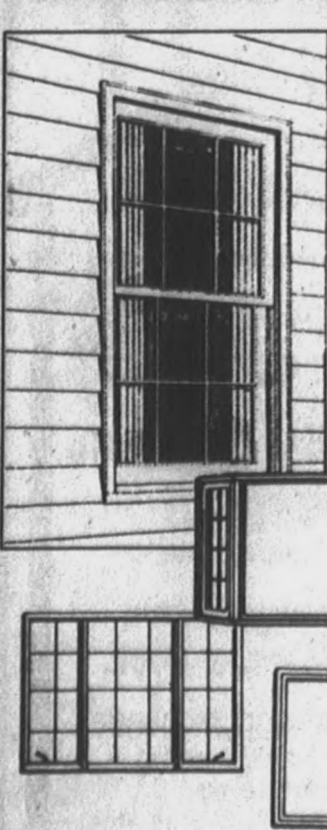
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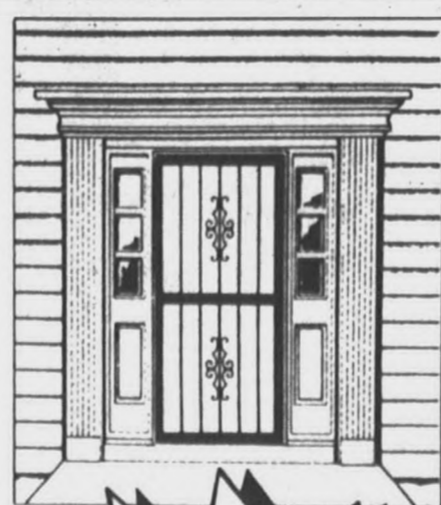


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Miriam Yesbick of Bloomfield Hills plays a streetwalker named "Killer," and Henry Bennett of Melvindale is Nick the bartender in "The Time of Your Life" at the Henry Ford Museum Theater at Greenfield Village in Dearborn. For ticket information call the Reservations Center at 271-1620.

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THEATRE GROTTESCO

Detroit's Theatre Grottesco will present its 1989-90 hit "Wedomadmen" (we-nomad-men) in three final performances at 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Sept. 13-15, at the Players Theatre in Detroit. The play returns from a 12-month tour through 14 states. Tickets at \$10 are available at all Ticketmaster outlets (phone 645-6666) and through Theatre Grottesco.

A benefit performance for the company will be held Friday, Sept. 14. Tickets for the benefit, which includes a post-performance reception and a tour of the historic Players Theatre by E. Ray Scott, are \$25. For more information and reservations, call Theatre Grottesco at 961-5880.

MUSEUM THEATRE

Henry Ford Museum Theatre is presenting William Saroyan's comedy "The Time of Your Life" through Sunday, Sept. 16. Performances are at 8:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, with one matinee at 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 16. Tickets at \$8 for reserved seats are available daily at the Information Desk in the entrance to Greenfield Village, at the Museum Theater box office one hour before each performance, or by calling the Reservations Center at 271-1620. A combination dinner and theater package, at \$25 per person, also is available.

AUDITIONS OPEN

Novi Players will hold auditions for its November production, "Blithe Spirit," a comedy with roles for two men and five women. Auditions times are 7:30-10 p.m. Monday, Sept. 10, and Wednesday, Sept. 12, at the Novi Civic Center.

FISHER SEASON

The Fisher Theatre, celebrating

its 30th year, announces an upcoming season of music, comedy and drama. This year's lineup begins with the comedy team of Penn & Teller, Tuesday, Sept. 25, to Sunday, Oct. 14. Then, direct from Broadway comes "Singin' in the Rain," presented at the Birmingham Theatre, Tuesday, Oct. 16, to Sunday, Nov. 4.

Andrew Lloyd Webber's Tony Award-winning "Starlight Express" will be featured at the New Masonic Temple from Tuesday Nov. 6, to Sunday, Nov. 25. "Les Miserables" returns to the Fisher, Tuesday, Dec. 4, to Sunday, Dec. 30. "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof" comes to the Fisher Theatre, Tuesday, Jan. 29, to Sunday, Feb. 17. All these shows, plus one more to be announced, are included in this season's subscription package. To subscribe by phone, call 645-2700 Monday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday, noon to 5 p.m. For more information, call the Fisher Theatre at 872-1000.

MUSICAL 'PIPPIN'

A new production of Stephen Schwartz's musical comedy "Pippin" continues through Sunday, Sept. 9, at the Marygrove College campus in Detroit. Proceeds from ticket sales go toward buying new lighting equipment and making other renovations in the theatre, which has not been fully in use for theatrical productions for several years. Performances are 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday and 7 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are \$10. For reservations or additional information call 546-0526.

SEASON'S OPENER

The Hilberry Theatre will present a Canadian play, "Farther

A 'new' career Show biz dreams may come true

By Arlene Funke
special writer

A LIFETIME AGO Nick Simos yearned for a life as an entertainer. During the '50s Simos thrilled audiences when he dressed up as ghoulish movie characters such as Frankenstein and Wolfman.

"I loved it," said Simos, now 54 and living in Westland. "I wanted to make people happy."

Those early successes faltered in the face of illness and personal setbacks. Simos packed away his dreams and settled for the security of factory work.

Now, facing retirement in November, Simos is hoping for a fresh chance. He's practicing some magic tricks and rehearsing jokes and songs for his "Tricky Nicky" act.

"I know it's going to take a lot of work," said Simos, whose mustache and curly hair are flecked with gray. "I don't care if I make a lot of money. I figure I have about 10 years."

The twice-divorced father of three grown children was born in Detroit. Simos, the youngest of eight children, was scarcely more than a toddler when he began singing and dancing for the customers in his father's tavern.

LATER, HE SPENT all his free time in movie houses, mesmerized by horror films and musicals featuring Fred Astaire and Gene Kelly.

"I clowned around and danced," Simos said. "I couldn't wait for Halloween to dress up. I thought it would be thrilling for people to see me like that."

His talents as a makeup artist blossomed. Sometimes he put on blackface makeup and did song-and-dance routines like Al Jolson's. He particularly enjoyed assuming the look and menacing gait of the Frankenstein character.

While those monster roles made Simos feel "strong and powerful," they worried his father, now deceased.

"He was afraid I would take on the person of a monster," Simos recalled. "He told me to give it up. He thought it was like showing off. He said, 'Don't be a big deal.'"

Eventually his father's sentiments had a chilling effect on Simos' confidence. "It was like a jinx," Simos said.

Simos dropped out of high school to join the Marine Corps. He received a medical discharge because of a "nervous breakdown" which Simos attributed to overwork. He returned to Detroit and completed his high school requirements.

SHOW BIZ beckoned. With the encouragement of his first wife, Patricia, Simos spent several months in California studying acting and makeup. Back home in Detroit he



JIM JAGDFELD/staff photographer

Nick Simos of Westland, who retires soon from his job in Livonia, wants to return to the world of entertainment, the goal he first sought back in the 1950s. Poster refers to his act as "Tricky Nicky." Framed are 12 of his demo records.

took a job in a steel plant and held part-time gigs dressed up as monsters to promote movies playing locally.

Photos from the 1950s show Simos to be a handsome young man with dark curly hair, a flawless complexion and classic features, a blend of his Greek, Albanian and Romanian heritage.

Simos also has kept the pictures of his makeup and publicity work as a hairy half-man, half-beast and as a grotesque, oversized spider, complete with bulging eyes.

To promote a movie called "The Mummy," Simos was swathed tightly in gauze strips. He was stationed in what looked like a coffin. When patrons approached, Simos would "come to life."

Although his ego was gratified he earned meager wages ranging from \$10 to \$30 per day.

"It was the only thing I enjoyed doing," Simos said. "I didn't like factory work."

DURING HIS spare time Simos appeared in makeup on the old Soupy Sales nighttime show and played small parts in local TV shows.

In 1959, at age 24, Simos was seriously injured when a car in which he was riding crashed. He suffered cuts and bruises, a broken jaw and man-

gled nose and lips. A head injury resulted in persistent sleep problems.

Simos was shocked at his appearance, fearing the changes couldn't be corrected.

"Every time I started going up the ladder something would happen to get me down," Simos said.

Following his recuperation Simos was hospitalized for depression. Later Simos and his first wife were divorced. He took another factory job and worked part time as a doorman at a go-go joint. Soon he was spinning records. While the songs were playing he often jumped into a costume and entertained customers with songs and skits.

That intense activity led to exhaustion and another breakdown.

"I lost my job and most of my records," Simos said.

Simos remarried in 1970. Because his second wife disapproved of his entertaining, Simos backed off.

BUT SIMOS NEVER completely abandoned his hopes. He wrote several songs, nine of which have been recorded. He wrote poetry.

Now divorced from his second wife, Simos will retire in November from his job as a special parts controller at Ford's transmission plant in Livonia. Unencumbered, he plans to concentrate on the entertaining, which he enjoys so much.

Recently, Simos has been practicing the magic tricks and vocal characterizations of his Tricky Nicky character, a long-nosed, red-and-blue-faced funnyman.

Simos had been booked for a November senior citizens party in Livonia. He also has been sorting and arranging his record collection of 4,000 pieces, many from the big band era. He hopes to be hired as a disc jockey for parties.

Simos bills himself as the "Golden Greek Disc Jockey" with the longest name in show business. His business card contains a tongue-twisting stew of his and friends' names: Nickolopoulos Michaelangeous Simpopolous Andropolous.

HE INTENDS to lay to rest the ghosts of past disappointments. Any use of monster characters would be for comic relief, Simos said. He is especially interested in entertaining, at no cost, young school children or kids in hospitals.

Simos admits to a love-hate relationship with his aspirations. "I have a passion for making people laugh," he said. "When I hear people enjoy what I'm doing, I'm blessed. I feel cursed when deals fall through. I'm doing the thing I love best."

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West by John Murrell, in the "new play" slot on its 1990-91 season. "Farther West" was first produced by Theatre Calgary. The Hilberry production opens Saturday, Nov. 24, and plays through Friday, Feb. 1, in repertory with "Twelfth Night" and "Peer Gynt."

The 1990-91 Hilberry season also includes "Noises Off," "The Importance of Being Earnest," "The Suicide" and "The Threepenny Opera." To request a free brochure with complete schedule and ticket information, call the Wayne State University Theatre promotion office, 577-3010, between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays.

AT FISHBONE'S

David and Roselyn, a country/blues duo from New Orleans, returns to Detroit at Fishbones Rhythm Kitchen Cafe in Greektown. They will perform some of their most popular tunes including the classic "Jambalaya." Showtime is 6-9 p.m. Monday-Thursday. There is no cover charge. For more information call Fishbones at 965-4600.

CIVIC THEATER

The Ann Arbor Civic Theatre's 1990-91 season will include mystery, drama, comedy and music. Entering its 61st season, the theater will feature Agatha Christie's "The Mousetrap," Sept. 12-15. The comic and musical talent of Fats Waller, "the soul of 1930s Harlem," will be featured in "Ain't Misbehavin'," Oct. 24-27. Robert Harling's "Steel Magnolias" is scheduled for Jan. 23-26.

Lillian Helman's "Watch On The Rhine" will be presented Feb. 27 to March 2. Victorian London is brought to life in the musical "Oliver!" May 15-18. "The Foreigner," running June 12-15, ends the season. For information on subscriptions, single tickets and group rates, call the Ann Arbor Civic Theatre at 662-9405. "Oliver!" will be shown at the Power Center for the Performing Arts. All other shows are scheduled at the Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre.



lan Lawler is Richard Miller and Cheryl McDonald is his mother, Essie, in Eugene O'Neill's comedy "Ah, Wilderness!" opening Thursday, Sept. 20, at the Ann Arbor Civic Theatre's MainStreet stage. Performances run through Saturday, Oct. 6. For ticket information, call 662-7282.

'CHORUS LINE'

The musical "A Chorus Line," presented by the Jewish Community Center with Nancy Gurwin Productions, opens at 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 8, at the JCC in West Bloomfield. Performances continue through Sunday, Sept. 30. For ticket information call the center at 661-

1000 or Gurwin at 354-9545.

CASTING CALL

An open casting notice for the musical "The 1940s Radio Hour" has been announced by the Birmingham Village Players. Auditions will be held at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 16, and Tuesday, Sept. 18, at the play-

house, 752 Chestnut (two blocks south of Maple Road at Hunter) in Birmingham.

FOR TEACHERS

Meadow Brook Theatre on the Oakland University campus in Rochester Hills is inviting teachers interested in theater to preview its up-

coming season 5-7:15 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 12, on the Oakland University campus in Rochester Hills. Speakers will include Carl Schurr, director of the opening production, "Cabaret," as well as resident set designer Peter Hicks and Detroit actor Phillip Locker. A complimentary box supper will be served. For reservations call 370-3316 by Friday, Sept. 7.

CIVIC CHORUS

Livonia Civic Chorus will begin its fall season with rehearsals at 8-10 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 13, at Frost Middle School. New members will be accepted through Thursday, Oct. 18. For more information call Eleanor Smith at 427-6804.

JAZZ STARS

"Fall into Jazz" kicks off the fall semester Monday-Thursday, Sept. 10-13, on the Southfield Campus of Oakland Community College, at 22322 Rutland Drive off Nine Mile Road between Greenfield and the Southfield Freeway. There will be performances by local and international jazz artists and an exhibit by the Graystone International Jazz Museum. The free four-day program

is presented by the campus and Hastings Street Productions of Southfield.

Sons, specializing in contemporary jazz, pop and blues, will perform 5-7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 10. Pianist, singer and actor Harold McKinney plays 5-7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 11. A reception with McKinney follows the performance, and Phil Lasley and Fire will entertain. Robert Penn, guitarist, vocalist and songwriter, appears 5-7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 12. Straight Ahead, an all-female jazz quartet, plays mainstream jazz 5-7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 13.

PALACE CONCERTS

The Petra concert, with special guests Kim Boyce and David Mullen, will be held at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 14, at the Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets are \$15, and \$10 reserved. Reba McEntire, with special guests Ricky Skaggs and Mark Collie, will be featured at 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 15. Tickets, \$18.50 reserved. Call 377-0100.

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● SEASON'S OPENER

St. Dunstan's Guild of Cranbrook

will open its new season with "Agnes of God" at 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 21-22, 28-29, at the playhouse in Bloomfield Hills. Ticket price is \$8 and \$6 (under 18). Call 644-0527 for reservations, or call Denise Campbell at 433-3555 for further information.

● COMEDY SHOW

The Bob Posch Comedy Show will be presented at 9 and 11 p.m. Friday-Saturday in September at Duffy's Waterfront Inn in Union Lake. Cover charge is \$7. Call 363-9469.

● FREE JAZZ

Sam's Jams in Ferndale will offer two free jazz concerts: Gamalon, 8-9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 7, and Judy Carmichael, 8-9 p.m., Friday, Sept. 21. Call 547-SAMS.

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Eastern Michigan University Communication and Theatre Arts Department will present seven hol-

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● PATIO JAZZ

The Ann Arbor Hilton (formerly the Berkshire Hilton) will continue its outdoor summer jazz series "Jazz on the Patio" into this fall. Music will be presented Friday-Saturday evenings through October outdoors on the Polo Club Patio. Jazz and blues musicians of Southeastern Michigan will be highlighted. Included on the schedule are Keiko McNamara and Harvey Thompson, who performed at the recent Montreux/Detroit Jazz Festival and the Paul Vornhagen Quintet featuring Norman Shobey. Friday performances are 8-11 p.m.; Saturday, 8

p.m. to midnight. Inclement weather will bring the entertainment inside the Polo Club. Call 761-7800 for details.

● DOROTHY PARKER

"What Fresh Hell" will be presented at 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 28-29, and 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 29 and 30, at the Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre in Ann Arbor. Tickets are available at the Michigan Theatre in Ann Arbor. To order tickets by phone call 668-8397.

● 'THE MOUSETRAP'

Agatha Christie's mystery chiller, "The Mousetrap," will run Wednesday-Saturday, Sept. 12-15, at the Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre in Ann Arbor. Showtime is 8 p.m. Tickets are \$11 and \$13. Group rates are available. For information, call the Ann Arbor Civic Theatre box office at 662-9405.

● LAKELAND AUDITIONS

Lakeland Players will hold auditions at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 10, at the Mason Junior High School Auditorium in Waterford. Auditions are for the first production of the 1990-91 season, "See How They Run," a farce in three acts by Philip King. Roles are open for six men, 30-60 years of age, and three women, 18-50 years. Rehearsals begin Monday, Sept. 24, and production dates are Friday-Saturday, Nov. 9-10 and 16-17. Call 623-7928 or 683-9779 for further information.

● MINI GRAND PRIX

Nearly 40 corporate sponsors will start their engines Saturday, Sept. 8, when the Detroit New Center Lions Club drops the green flag to start its sixth annual Mini Grand Prix. The event, open to the public, is free. It will raise funds for sight-related community service organizations in metropolitan Detroit and is the larg-

est Lions fund-raiser in the world. Other activities will include face painting, arts and crafts, bubbles, street drawing, storytelling, pony rides from Haverhill Farms (50 cents) and magic-safety shows. For additional information call the race hotline at 875-MINI from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays.

● SUN MESSENGERS

"Bates Street Night Out" will feature the Sun Messengers from 8:30 p.m. to midnight Thursday, Sept. 13. These informal parties are held the second Thursday of each month as a way for singles and couples to socialize and hear live entertainment. A light menu and cash bar are offered. The \$5 tickets are available at the door. This road show and dance party will feature Detroit-area comics. D.J. Lance Howard of Mega Tunes will play dance music after the comedy acts. For more information, call The Community House at 644-5832.

table talk

Chuck Muer

Two new wines have been bottled under the 25th anniversary label of the C.A. Muer Corp. and are now being served in Chuck Muer restaurants. Both the multi-prize-winning 1986 "Jefferson Cuvee" cabernet sauvignon and the 1988 "Jefferson Ranch" chardonnay come from the Monticello vineyards and winery of California's Napa Valley. The wines were selected for Muer by a panel of wine experts and laymen. There are 16 Chuck Muer restaurants, includ-

ing four in Michigan — Charley's Crab in Troy and Grand Rapids, the Gandy Dancer in Ann Arbor and the River Crab at St. Clair.

Campus Inn

Machus Restaurants and Pastry Shops, headquartered in Birmingham, has been invited to begin food operations at Ann Arbor's Campus Inn (now the Regency Campus Inn). In addition to the hotel restaurant, Machus also will operate banquet

rooms, as well as the lobby lounge. To be called Machus at the Regency, the new restaurant will be refurbished beginning in the fall after Labor Day. Machus Enterprises includes the original pastry shop on Maple (since 1933), two other pastry shops, six restaurants and management of the Palace Grille, banquet facilities and suite service at the Palace of Auburn Hills.

Gregory Hines

"One Spectacular Evening with Gregory Hines," a benefit for AIDS research featuring dancer Gregory Hines and a strolling dinner cooked

by area chefs, will be held Sunday, Sept. 9, at the Fisher Theatre in Detroit. Chefs from the Rattlesnake Club, Truffles, New Hellas, Ginopolis, the London Chop House and other restaurants will provide the food for the dinner, served at 6 p.m. The performance will be presented at 8 p.m., followed by an afterglow. For information contact the Packaged Deal at 559-1144.

Sunday brunch

The Novi Hilton's new Sunday brunch offers three chef's stations for made-to-order omelets and waffles and carved items such as lamb,

beef, ham and turkey. Hot foods, cold foods, a wide assortment of salads, a dessert station and a children's buffet also are featured. A supervised play area is available for the children. Brunch costs \$14.95 for adults, \$8.95 for children.

Birmingham tour

The Community House in Birmingham will host its third "Downtown Living Tour" from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 18. A Victorian tea will be served to tour guests 2:30-5 p.m. The eight homes on the tour are all within walking distance of downtown Birmingham and range

in style from Victorians to contemporaries. Tickets are \$15. For information call 644-5832.

Hershel's Deli

Hershel's Deli and Hot Bakery in Troy recently was purchased by Kowalski Sausage Co. The restaurant's menu has been updated, and Kowalski products have been added to the deli. Open 24 hours a day, Hershel's serves such items as homemade vegetable lasagna, chicken pot pies, muffins and cheesecake. It also offers a carry-out and catering service.

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Q. I am interested in the program that helps people to find others to share their home. Where can I find out more about this?

A. Homeshare or Michigan Match is a program sponsored by the State Office of Services to the Aging and the Southeastern Michigan Council of Governments.

This program is available for residents of Livingston, Oakland, Washtenaw, Monroe, Macomb and Wayne counties. It is available to adults 18 and older; however, one person in the match must be at least 55 years old. The home-seekers must be 18 years or older, willing to assume responsibilities of cooperative living and be able to provide references.

Home providers must be able to provide a private room in their home or apartment, be willing to assume

the responsibilities of cooperative living and be able to provide references. Among the benefits of home sharing is companionship, affordable housing, safer environment, sharing the costs of food and utilities and help with household chores and errands.

A personal interview is arranged during which you will have the opportunity to discuss your housing needs, preferences, concerns and expectations. All information will be held confidential.

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smoothly, professional counselors are available to offer ongoing assistance.

Call SEMCOG at 961-4266, Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:40 p.m. for more information or for the name of your local contact agency.

Q. My mother injured herself in a fall in a parking lot last week. I wanted her to see her doctor but she has refused. She claims that she can't afford a doctor visit at this time. Won't Medicare help pay for the office visit?

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on aging
Renee Mahler

Q. My aunt is in a nursing home on Medicaid. I think she is being billed for services she never received. How do I complain?

A. Medicaid fraud is a very serious offense. Attorney General Frank Kelley has recently established a toll free hot line in the Health Care Fraud Division in order to receive reports concerning Medicaid fraud and patient abuse in hospitals and nursing homes.

Examples of Medicaid fraud may include: billing for brand name drugs but giving less expensive generic ones, billing for services never

provided, prescribing and billing for controlled substances that are not medically necessary, billing for more expensive services than those actually given and if medical providers accept cash or other benefits from medical laboratories in return for patient referral.

The toll free hot line number is 1-800-242-2873. The hot line is staffed from 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday. On weekends and after business hours, messages may be left on the answering machine.

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

S'craft offers EMT courses

Two emergency medical technician courses are being offered this fall by Schoolcraft College and Huron Valley Ambulance.

Students completing either course are eligible for the Michigan Department of Public Health state exam for technicians or EMT specialists.

Courses include:

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• **Emergency Medical Technician Specialist** — The 12-week course is designed for licensed emergency medical technicians. Participants are taught additional skills in advanced airway and intravenous therapy. Fee is \$280.

Both courses begin in September and run through December. Classes meet at Schoolcraft College-Radcliff, 1751 Radcliff, Garden City. Additional information is available by calling continuing education services, 462-4448.

Language courses set

Foreign language courses for business people, professionals and tourists are being offered this fall by the University of Detroit.

Classes are offered at various levels of proficiency in Arabic, Chinese, Czech, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish.

Class sites include Berkshire Middle School, Birmingham, as well as U-D's McNichols and Renaissance campuses, Detroit.

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U-D offers GMAT, LSAT test prep

Preparatory classes for the Graduate Admission Test (GMAT) for business or Law School Admission Test (LSAT) are being offered this fall at the University of Detroit.

U-D is offering the courses in conjunction with Test Preparation Services, Inc.

GMAT preparatory classes begin Saturday, Sept. 15. LSAT session begin Sept. 10-11, depending upon site.

Each 18-hour series includes four-to-six meetings, over four weeks.

Fee for the GMAT course is \$175. The LSAT preparation fee is \$195. Fees include all materials.

An optional math refresher class for the GMAT is \$45, an optional writing workshop for the LSAT program is also \$45. Persons completing either class who fail to obtain a satisfactory score on the GMAT or LSAT make take each test again.

All GMAT classes will be held on U-D's campus on McNichols, Detroit. LSAT classes will be held at both the McNichols and Renaissance campuses.

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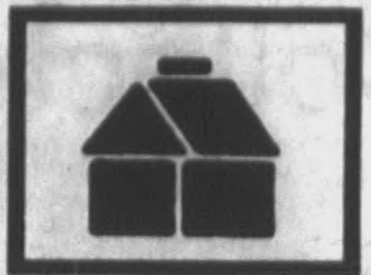
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Antique Mart to benefit symphony

By Linda Ann Chomin
special writer

WHETHER YOU'RE looking to buy a piece of history for yourself, as a gift for someone special, or just wish to support the arts, then the Plymouth Fall Festival Antique Mart is the place to visit this week.

The Plymouth Symphony League will host the 28th annual Antique Mart, which benefits the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra, on Thursday-Saturday, Sept. 6-8, in the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer.

The Antique Mart will feature 23 dealers from Indiana, Ohio and Michigan. Included in the show will be European and American antiques, prints, primitives, estate jewelry and silver, linens, English copper and brass, oak furniture and Victorian and country antiques, all for purchase.

For 27 years, the Antique Mart has been a three-day show. Although now cut back to two days, it still will begin with a preview reception from 7:30-10 p.m. tonight. Tickets are \$15 and will be available at the door. They include a light supper. The Plymouth Symphony will provide music.

"The preview reception, put on by the Plymouth Symphony League, is a fund-raiser for the benefit of the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra," said Peggy Blaisdell, who chairs the Antique Mart dealers.

PREVIEW ATTENDEES will have the opportunity of first choice

in buying antiques from the show. "It's a wonderful show. We look forward to this show all year," Blaisdell said.

General admission to the Antique Mart is \$3.

Blaisdell also is one of the antique dealers. She and her husband, John, have sold antiques for five years, but collected them for about 15.

"Almost every weekend we go to antique shows, estate sales and auctions," she said during an interview at her Plymouth home.

Antique brass candlesticks, stuffed rabbit toys, wooden terns and sandpipers on stilted legs lined the mantel and shelves, while an antique oil painting of an English Setter and a dog's head, which was a Victorian whisk broom holder, hung on the opposite wall.

Antiques filled each nook and cranny of the Blaisdell home, making you feel as if you had stepped into a home from the 1800s. "This weekend, I'll be selling small items as well as larger pieces," Peggy said.

ANTIQUE IRON and tin kitchen items, such as cookie cutters and apple peelers, butter stamps, ironstone jelly molds, collections of antique coffee grinders and pitchers and a brass jelly pail that hung over open fires to make jelly around 1830 or 1840, are a few of her smaller items.

A turn-of-the-century, inlaid, tilt-top table, an 1880s walnut quilt rack, an 1860 one-drawer stand, a late 1800s pine, butter table used for making butter, and a walnut drop leaf table from 1880, which can be

used as a dining table or as a kitchen table, are just some of the larger antiques she'll show.

The preview reception will spotlight the 18th century. In colonial times, edible pyramids were all the rage, when hostesses would set a long table of embellishments. At the preview reception this year will be edible pyramids of fruit, cookies, candy, finger foods, cheese tarts and chocolate truffles.

So if you are looking for a copper

and brass bedwarmer from the 1850s, or simply would like to support the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra while enjoying a colonial pyramid of chocolate truffles, consider the Antique Mart in Plymouth this week.

Antique Mart co-chairwomen are

Judy Lewis and Judy Lore.

Other local dealers taking part in the show include Rosalie Alexander, Orchard Lake, prints; Betty Lynn Nowka, Northville, primitives and country; Ann Cook, Northville, country; Kathleen Batzold, Troy, country; Dede and Jim Taylor, Birmingham,

general; Esther Spurlock, Bloomfield Hills, English country; Pauline and Jacki Work, Farmington Hills, jewelry and silver.

Regular Antique Mart hours are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday.

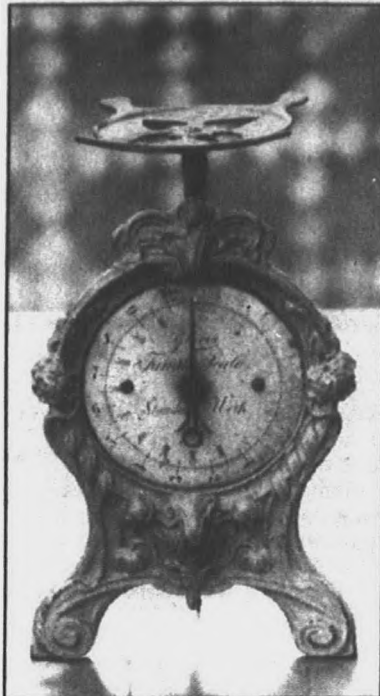
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— Peggy Blaisdell
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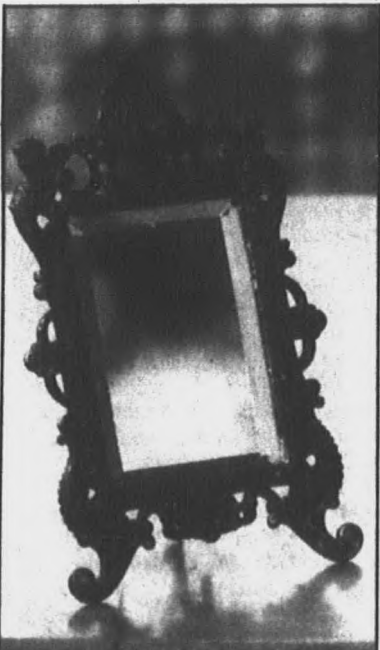
At right: This antique chocolate mold, sporting, appropriately, a bunny, was made in Germany.



Staff photos
by
Jim Jagdfeld



This French antique scale, made from iron, still boasts its original coat of green paint.



Small mirrors will be among the antiques on display and for sale at the Antique Mart.



Plymouth antique dealer Peggy Blaisdell is surrounded by: an 1880s walnut quilt stand; a turn-of-the-century, inlaid, tilt-top table; a 1910 maple desk; a French footwarmer; a wooden

pull toy; a child's spindle back rocker; wicker baskets; a 1920s or 1930s riding tin train; and a brass tea kettle.

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ARTBEAT ACCENTS:

• Deserving honoree — Kudos to Gwen Tomkow, a Farmington Hills watercolorist whose artistic creations include northern Michigan's picture-postcard landscapes.

The 1988 Farmington Artist Club Artist in Residence is one of 128 artists chosen to exhibit in Watercolor USA 1990 at the Springfield Art Museum, Springfield, Mo.

She's one of just four Michigianians to earn a spot in the elite 667-artist field. The show is one of the top-rated nationally for watercolorists.

Tomkow's painting of hay bales with bright sunny colors, "Harvest-time," won a Patron Purchase Award from the Dunnegan Museum Gallery of Art, Boliver, Mo. It'll become part of the gallery's permanent collection.

A tribute to Tomkow, "Harvest-time" was chosen to appear in full color in Watercolor USA's exhibit catalog.

Tomkow strives to weave her imprint on each of her works.

As she put it: "When just one person says, 'That's a Gwenie painting alright, just look at those grasses dancing and at that color, which is so exciting,' being an artist has its own reward."

• Think protection — I appreciate



Bob Sklar

ate the concern among some of my fellow history buffs that sprinklering the Hill Museum at Livonia's Greenmead Historical Village might detract from its historic character.

Ideally, I'd rather see the house flooded by an overflow than burned to a crisp. A pre-dawn fire might never be controlled in time to salvage the 149-year-old historical gem. But realistically, a smoke/security alarm might be wiser.

Greenmead's shaky fire safeguards came to light after a suspicious fire gutted the 123-year-old farmhouse on the nearby Historic Fruit Hill Farm Aug. 12. The farmhouse had been restored and made into law offices at a cost of at least \$350,000.

Sue Daniel, Livonia Historical Commission chairwoman, estimates that it'd cost \$30,000 to hook Greenmead's 11 major exhibit buildings to a smoke/security alarm.

That kind of alarm seems more realistic in view of the cost and controversy surrounding an architectur-

ally disruptive sprinkler system.

Last year, the city sold three acres at the southeast end of Greenmead to the U.S. Postal Service for \$350,000. The money is in a special historical preservation fund.

"We're struggling financially to restore these buildings," Daniel said about Greenmead, conceding, "We need to give more attention to the whole subject of fire protection."

This fall, the historical commission plans to ask the city council for the go-ahead to seek bids for an architectural survey to restore the 11 original Hill Farm buildings at Greenmead's west end.

A lot of volunteer time and taxpayer money have gone into saving vestiges of Livonia's early days. TLC has reigned.

But Livonia fire marshal Arnold Klinger convinced me about the need for better fire protection at Greenmead:

"Every penny and every hour of labor they've put into it would be a total wipeout. If there is a fire, we'd do the best we can. But destruction is inevitable."

It makes little sense to devote years to preserving the fragile buildings at Greenmead but not retrofit them with basic protections against the ravages of fire.

Bob Sklar is the O&E's assistant managing editor for special projects.



JIM JAGDFELD/staff photographer

Lydia Sweatt of Livonia "has" tea with some of her friends at Remembrance, her Victorian doll shop in downtown Northville.

Sweet success sprouts

By C.L. Rugenstein
special writer

BLESSED ARE those who parlay their hobbies into profit, for they shall have fun and make money, too.

Livonia resident Lydia Sweatt (pronounced "Sweet") is among those fortunate few — and her success couldn't be sweeter.

Within a year of opening her doll and collectible shop, Remembrance, in downtown Northville, Sweatt's shop already is paying for itself.

"According to my accountant, many retail businesses don't make it through the first two years, and most won't realize a profit for the first two years," she said in the lace-curtained shop where a music box played in the background.

"Business far surpassed my expectations, but quite frankly, I'd be in it whether it made money or not."

The Regina (a type of music box) sound system was tailor-made to fit the atmosphere Sweatt wanted to convey — being unique.

She doesn't deal in the everyday cutesy dolls, Barbies, or even an-

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Collector finds sweet success in dolls



These German-made porcelain dolls were limited to 20 for worldwide distribution. Johanna (left) sells for \$1,650 and Hedi (right) sells for \$1,850 at Remembrance.



photos by JOHN STORMZAND/staff photographer

Collectible dolls fill the Sweatts' Victorian doll shop in downtown Northville.

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tiques, although she admits to buying those if one should catch her fancy and be in excellent condition.

Rather, Sweatt specializes in new dolls by artists who established themselves recently in the field. Some of the hot ones among collectors are Annette Himstedt (Sweatt's personal favorite for her "Barefoot Babies"), the team of Lothar Groessle-Gudrun Schmidt of Germany and Yolanda Bello.

"DOLL COLLECTING is more exciting than people realize because artists are considered more talented now. They're considered artists rather than doll makers." In the not-so-distant past, dolls were made only to be pretty. "In these days, they're made to be more like a real child."

Limited edition, numbered dolls were produced 250 at a time for worldwide distribution by Groessle-Schmidt. The couple used their real-life son as a model for the sleeping, blond doll, "Robin."

Or Johanna. A 3- or 4-year-old imp in blue-striped pinafore, her wild corkscrew, gingery curls caught in two pony tails, she's one

angry little girl. She's sticking out her tongue, in fact. She's so angry, her little fists are balled and the toes on her plump feet are curled.

Sculptured detail on her facial features is so lifelike, one can feel the frown ridges on her forehead.

Johanna is a Groessle-Schmidt. She resembles another little barefoot toddler doll named "Lynn."

Each is immediately recognizable as a Groessle-Schmidt because each artist's work is marked by his or her style — like a Picasso or a Van Gogh. "It's the style that intrigues people."

It's also the style that causes people to spend \$50 to \$10,000 for a particular artist's doll. "I have one client who said, 'Every doll you have of theirs (Groessle-Schmidt), I want it!'"

ALTHOUGH SHE has been a lifelong doll lover, Sweatt's first doll at age 6 was a "Chatty Cathy," now worth thousands, Sweatt said.

Sweatt got into the business end of collecting strictly by accident.

Having married young and raised three children, she found herself in her late 30s with a desire to have her own business.

Her husband, Ron, a restaurateur in Detroit for 20 years, suggested a doll shop. "Everywhere we would travel in the world, I would buy dolls."

Even when she was in a funk, she'd console herself with buying dolls rather than clothes.

The shop is modeled after her doll room at home. She used the same floral-striped, Victorian wallpaper and antique reproduction furniture, in and on which the dolls are displayed throughout the shop.

"It was a passion for me for years. When I was upset or stressed, I'd go into the doll room, and it would be so relaxing."

She may have spent a lot of time in the doll room after making the big decision to go into business. As a first-time business owner, she said she found the prospect "kind of scary."

BUT HUSBAND Ron proved a real asset.

"He was totally supportive. He's

developed an expertise himself and knows all the dolls by name," as well as their artists, Sweatt said.

He also accompanies her on buying trips during the year and has a good eye for what will sell, she said.

Still, it took her two years to accumulate the trappings for the shop before she opened. "You could not move in my house. There were boxes, doll buggies, baby beds and wicker prams all over the place. The storeroom in my basement is

cramped with antiques."

Some of the furniture is Munchkin-sized reproductions, but all are props, used to display the dolls in settings, rather than hide them in sterile glass cases.

But all the props are for sale. Sweatt said she'll just get more to arrange her favorite Annette Himstedt dolls, "Kai," the wild-haired, lute-playing boy doll on, or her Groessle-Schmidt doll, "Heddy."

As she put it: "That's the fun part — putting it all together."

creative impressions

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CHINESE PAINTINGS

Wu Guanzhong, a contemporary Chinese artist, introduces one of China's leading painters in his first exhibition to tour the United States.

Wu, now 71, works to bridge the gap between traditional ink and coloring painting and mainstream international art.

The free exhibition opens at the Detroit Institute of Arts Saturday, Sept. 8. It runs to Sunday, Nov. 11.

Large ink and color landscapes, oils, drawings, sketchbooks and an album reveal the virtuosity of this artist, who now lives in Beijing.

With the re-emergence of artistic freedom in China after 1976, Wu developed his own style combining the fluid brushwork of traditional Chinese painting with the semi-abstractation of modern Western art.

During 30 years of government censorship of the arts, when Russian-inspired socialist realism was the only style of painting acceptable to the government, Wu clung to his goal: to nationalize oil painting and modernize traditional Chinese painting.

The exhibition was organized by the Chinese Culture Foundation of San Francisco and supported by the National Endowment for the Arts.

The DIA exhibition is supported Detroit Testing Laboratory, the state of Michigan, the city of Detroit and the Founders Society.

Museum hours are 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday.

"The Odyssey of Wu Guanzhong" will be described by Richard Barnhart, Yale University art history professor, during an illustrated lecture at 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 14. There is a charge.

Laurie Barnes, DIA assistant curator of Asian art, will discuss selected works in the exhibition at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 12, and Friday, Nov. 2. Admission is free.

A clothbound, slipcased catalog (184 pages), with 70 color plates and essays by four scholars, is available for \$60 in the DIA Museum Shop.

ARTS FEST

The North Rosedale Park Civic Association presents the Metropolitan Festival of Arts 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 15-16, at the North Rosedale Park Community Center and Park, 18445 Scarsdale at Glastonbury, Detroit.

Admission is free.

The juried exhibition and sale will feature the works of dozens of artists and artisans from the metro area and other states. Many art media will be represented: oils, watercolors, ethnic wall hangings, stained glass, jewelry, pottery, photography, woodcarvings and textile design.

In the children's craft center, volunteers will help kids make an art project or have their faces painted by a clown.

Fest proceeds will go toward the North Rosedale Park Community and its programs.

ANTIQUE SHOW

Three local collectors will take part in the annual fall antique show at Arborland Sept. 20-23.

They are Mary Haggerty of Livonia, Anita Luceus of Canton Township and Gloria Siebert of Livonia.

Admission to the show is free. Displays will include Victorian jewelry, postcards, linens and silver flatware. Exhibits will include oak furniture, quilts and wicker floor lamps; and art glass.

Arborland is at Washtenaw and U.S. 23, Ann Arbor.

BOOK SALE

The Wayne State University Library System's fifth annual Festival of Arts Book Sale will be Sept. 22-23.

It will be at the entrance area of the Purdy Library Complex. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 22, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 23.

Hundreds of used books will be on hand. These titles, primarily donations of alumni and friends of WSU, will encompass the humanities, arts, sciences and social sciences.

Proceeds will go to the Mildred Jeffrey Peace and Human Rights Fund to establish an endowment for this collection.

The Mildred Jeffrey Collection is made up of audiovisual and print

materials that address the global issues of international peace, conflict resolution and human rights.

TOWN HALL

Northville Town Hall Series offers up four speakers for its 30th season:

• Eileen Fulton, a Southern-bred comedian, 11 a.m., Thursday, Oct. 11. Her topics will include soap opera, live theater and cabaret.

• Col. Charles Scott, 11 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 8. He was held hostage for 444 days in Iran. He gains a rare insight into the minds of his captors. The Army veteran is an award-winning author and international business consultant.

• Kaye Lani Rae Rafko, a professional dancer and Miss America 1998 from Monroe, 11 a.m. Thursday, March 21. She earned a nursing degree specializing in cardio-pulmonary resuscitation with continuing education in bone marrow transplant and infection control. She plans to obtain a master's degree in oncology to focus national attention on AIDS, cancer and pulmonary diseases.

• Jack Reynolds, of NBC News, 11 a.m. Thursday, April 11. He has in-depth knowledge of South America, China, Japan and the Philippines.

Season series tickets are \$30. Season luncheon tickets are \$44. Events

are at the Radisson Hotel-Plymouth, 14707 Northville Road, Plymouth.

Half the proceeds go to the series sponsor, Our Lady of Victory, Northville. The rest goes to charities in Northville, Novi, Plymouth, Farmington, Livonia and South Lyon.

For ticket information, call Mary Cutler, town hall chairwoman: 349-8855.

GALLERY BENEFIT

A recent benefit for Detroit Focus Gallery, "Live from Detroit Focus," raised \$7,200.

The highlight was on-the-site portrait painting by three well-known area artists, Glen Michaels of Troy and Robert Wilbert and John Hegarty, both on the Wayne State University art faculty. Each did a portrait of a live model during the evening. Those attending the party crowded around to watch the artists work, each with a different style and approach to the same subject.

Later in the evening, the paintings were given as prizes. Marilyn Symmes, graphic arts curator, Toledo Museum of Art, won Wilbert's portrait. Mary B. Stephenson, 20th century art curator, Detroit Institute of Arts, won Michaels' work and Laurie Bouchez. An arts patron won Hegarty's painting.

Detroit Focus, a not-for-profit gallery, is at 743 Beaubien, Detroit.

HISTORICAL TOURS

Livonia's Greenmead Historical Village, Newburgh and Eight Mile, is open 1-4 p.m. Sundays in September.

Farmington Historical Museum, 33805 Grand River, is open 1-5 p.m. Wednesdays in September.

Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main, is open 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday and 2-5 p.m. Sunday in September.

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Renting art: popular pastime in Plymouth

By Amy Harmon
staff writer

RENTING A picture from the Plymouth Community Arts Council Rental Gallery is a very simple process.

"You walk in, plopp down five bucks and walk away with a picture," said Therese Gall, gallery co-chairwoman.

And every year, hundreds of people from the Plymouth area who want to try out a month's worth of new art on their walls do just that.

On the second floor of Plymouth's Dunning-Hough Library, the gallery does heavy business on Wednesdays, the only day it's open.

Pictures may be renewed for a second month and are then returned to circulation but, Gall said, prospective renters should be warned that the competition for favorites can be stiff.

To get around the time limit, some people will send their neighbors in to rent their favorites for them over and over again.

Fortunately for those who become especially attached to a rented picture, "it's not unattainable," Gall said.

The gallery periodically sells its pieces, replacing them with new acquisitions. With 250 pictures in its collection, the gallery has seen enormous growth over the last 15 years.

FOUNDED BY the arts council in 1975, the gallery began circulating its 10 or 12 pictures to local businesses and public buildings. As word of the gallery's rental system spread, it began to make more money and buy more artwork.

All of the profits go into new acquisitions and the general fund of the arts council. Last year, the gallery provided the general fund with \$10,000, Gall said.

The gallery attracts several different sorts of people.

First, there are the regulars, those who "just like the idea of having different pictures on their walls all the time." They come in each month to trade in one of the gallery's pieces for another.

Gall said she knows some husband-and-wife teams who "fight to get home from work first so they can come up and pick out the picture for the month."

"It's really therapeutic. I look up and I realize eight or 10 hours have gone by and I haven't thought of anything other than what's on the canvas or paper."

— artist Jim Hardy

Then, there's the set of people who have just moved into their new home and want to fill up their bare walls.

Finally, there are people who stumble upon the gallery because they happen to be in the library on a Wednesday. Some people in this crowd, Gall said, "have lived in town forever" and are amazed to find such a special community resource they were never aware of before.

IN ADDITION to providing area residents with affordable art for their homes, the gallery has helped many local artists establish a reputation and start successful careers.

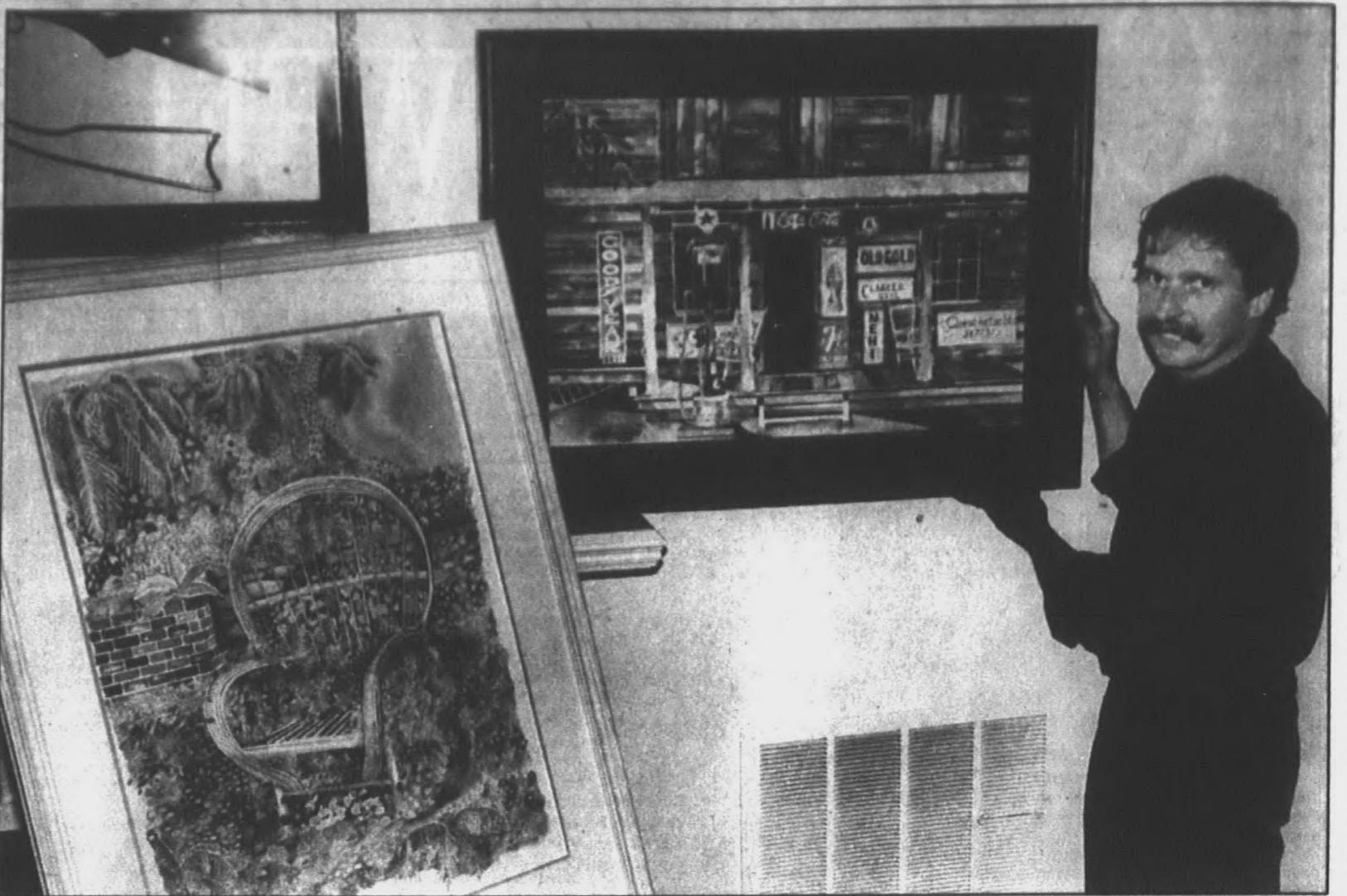
John Krieger and Johnnie Crosby were two Plymouth residents who started out at the gallery and have since gone on to show and sell their work nationally.

Buying new work from local artists at the metro area's art shows and at the sessions the gallery schedules for artists to bring in their work is Gall's favorite part of her job. But she admits it is sometimes painful to turn away artists whose work doesn't find favor with the gallery's judges.

"It's hard to say, 'This is awful,'" but Gall and Pam Minscher, gallery co-chairwoman, as well as the rest of the gallery's volunteer staff, knows what people in the community like to rent. And they insist that the gallery maintain its standards.

The quality of the work that artists try to sell to the gallery varies, Gall said, "but there are some artists we know we're going to get good stuff from."

One of these is Jim Hardy, a long-time Plymouth resident who has been working with the gallery for almost eight years. After discovering his work at the Plymouth Fall Festival several years ago, "Therese be-



ART EMANUELE/staff photographer

Artist Jim Hardy shows two of his watercolor paintings available for rent at the Art Rental Gallery in Plymouth's Dunning-Hough Library. At left is "Stick Chair." At right is "Crossroads."

friended me and kind of adopted me," Hardy said.

HIS JOB as a golf course superintendent keeps him busy seven days a week during the summer. But in the winter, after his kids go off to bed, Hardy sometimes stays up all night painting in the room that serves as a library, an office, an alcove and a studio.

"It's really therapeutic," he said. "I look up and I realize eight or 10 hours have gone by and I haven't thought of anything other than

what's on the canvas or paper."

Hardy considered trying to make a career out of his painting, but he decided to keep it as a hobby when "I realized I had to be somewhat of a businessman, a marketing analyst and a public relations person if I were to make a living out of it."

Although some of his paintings have sold for \$300, Hardy figures he makes just \$1-\$2 an hour for his work.

"It's not uncommon for me to spend 200 hours on a painting, so I'm barely making minimum wage."

Hardy said he's not in it for the profit. "So long as people like them, that's all that's important to me."

AFTER A period during which he painted mostly Depression-era scenes, depicting the "despair and decay" of the Dust Bowl and the cities in sepia tone, Hardy has moved on to a style he said is influenced largely by the Impressionists.

His colorful floral paintings are very popular at the gallery. And since some of his pieces that

his wife liked the best have been sold, he has become a regular patron of the gallery, as well as one of its best contributors. "I come up here and rent often."

Gall said it has been fun over the years to watch people such as Hardy change and grow. The gallery is also always growing and changing. New renters are always welcome.

"We have renters from all over the area and we're anxious to have more. All they have to do is fill out a card," Gall said.

Books serve up lots of insight into learning

SINCE THE week that just was was the week in which many area kids started back to school, I think it's time we got to a subject I've been meaning to talk about for some time: school books.

No, I don't mean textbooks. I mean books about schools and learning, books that offer help and advice to concerned parents, books that bring readers into today's classrooms, books that bring us closer to teachers, that help us better to see our own children, that help us to gain a clearer and more complete picture of the educational process itself, that show us how to bring about change where it's needed in our schools.

Sliding SAT scores, illiteracy problems, rising dropout rates and teacher shortages — they're all part of the picture in hundreds of schools across the country. As the problems

grow, the appeal of "school books" increases, not just for parents of school children, but for every one of us.

HERE'S A sampling of what's available as the 1990-91 school year starts:

• "Endangered Minds: Why Our Children Don't Think," by Jane M. Healy (Simon & Schuster, \$22.95). Educator Healy, believing our present methods of teaching are faulty, bases her conclusions on neuropsychological studies that reveal how children learn, plus her own observations of classroom techniques.

"Thoughtful and provocative, this advisory offers much to parents regarding the development of their children's reading and critical thinking abilities," says Publisher's Weekly.



Victoria Diaz

• "Child Potential: Fulfilling Your Child's Intellectual, Emotional and Creative Promise," by Theodore Isaac Rubin (Continuum, \$17.95). Advance reviews say psychiatrist Rubin advises the old standbys of love, attention, loyalty, honesty, respect and understanding as necessary elements in bringing out a child's full potential. If it sounds like you've heard it all before, Rubin's enthusiastic conviction in his beliefs and specific case histories he discusses make his words especially convincing, reviewers feel. Available next month.

• "Among Schoolchildren" by Tracy Kidder (Avon, \$9.95) If you've not yet read Kidder's bestselling ac-

count of a year spent in school with fifth graders and their teacher, what better time to do so than now, as the school year begins? Believe me, this book is truly the next best thing to being there. Available in paperback.

• "Small Victories: The Real World of a Teacher, Her Students, and Their High School," by Samuel G. Freedman (Harper & Row, \$22.95) This is a kind of "Among Schoolchildren" transferred to a high school on Manhattan's lower East Side (Kidder's fifth graders attended classes in Holyoke, Mass.). Freedman spends a year with the class of 1988 and their hardworking English teacher, Jessica Siegel, and recalls the memorable experience.

• "Why Do We Gotta Do This Stuff, Mr. Nehring?: Notes From a Teacher's Day in School," by James Nehring (Fawcett Columbine, \$7.95) This is a paperback reprint of teacher Nehring's successful hardcover. Read it and you can benefit from an insightful perception of that deepest of mysteries, the adolescent mind.

• "Teachers at Work: Achieving Success in Our Schools," by Susan Moore Johnson (Basic, \$19.95) Johnson, of Harvard's School of Education, puts together here the results of interviews with more than 100 teachers, indicating how some schools support and fail their teachers.

• "Making the Best of Schools," by Jeannie Oakes and Martin Lipton (Yale, \$19.95) Parents/teachers Oakes and Lipton researched and wrote this nuts-and-bolts advisory that offers parents specific help in how to go about changing their schools for the better. Parents Magazine says the book "will give adults confidence in themselves as reform-

ers and in their children as scholars."

• "Learning All the Time," by John Holt (Addison-Wesley/Lawrence, \$8.95) Noted education critic Holt, who authored "How Children Fail" and "The Underachieving School," offers some provocative observations here about structured early learning.

• Succinct (36 pages) and specific, "Helping Your Child Succeed in School" is a helpful guide containing sections on study tips, homework, how to work with teachers and other relevant information. It's available for \$1.50. Make checks payable to School Division, Association of American Publishers. Mailing address is AAP, School Division, 220 E. 23rd St., New York 10010.

FYI: National Literacy Day is Sept. 8. Celebrate (with a book).

"Book break" is a regular feature in Creative Living.

Help salute symphony as new season starts

Detroit Symphony Orchestra Hall opens its 1990-91 season with a week of events concluding with the annual Salute to Paradise Theatre Sept. 15.

That salute, at 8 p.m., will pay tribute to the DSOH jazz era, with performances by the Duke Ellington Orchestra with Mercer Ellington, singer Betty Carter and Detroit's Three Sixes. DSO associate conductor Leslie Dunner will conduct. Tickets range from \$15 to \$75.

To celebrate Symphony Week, the DSO plans to give two free lunchtime and rush-hour concerts.

• Lunchtime — noon, Wednesday, Sept. 12. DSO, Leslie Dunner, conductor.

• Rush-hour — 6 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 13. DSO, Leslie Dunner, conductor.

For ticket information, call the DSOH: 833-3700. Originally built in 1918 as the home of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Orchestra Hall has been restored to its original splendor. The interior has been brought up to the same level as the acoustics. Old photographs and documents were con-

sulted in an effort to maintain the building's visual integrity. Orchestra Hall now looks as it did when it opened in 1919.

The DSO took up residence again at Orchestra Hall in September, after a 50-year absence. The hall has undergone extensive restoration since it was saved from destruction in 1970.

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Bentley sweat shirts reflect gift shop motto

By Linda Ann Chomin
special writer

AS YOU walk into the little gift shop, Betty Omar's embroidered sweat shirts are the first handcrafted items to catch your attention. The shirts are displayed on the entrance door.

Emblazoned on the front of the sweat shirts is: Bentley High School 1947-1985. On the back are the words: Gone But Not Forgotten.

The Friends of the Livonia Library Gift Shop, in the atrium of the Livonia Civic Center Library at Farmington Road south of Five Mile, is crammed with jewelry,

woodcarvings, handmade baskets and sweat shirts made by Livonia artists and craftsmen. Also there are items from as far away as China.

"Our motto at the shop is, 'Gifts from around the world and around the corner,'" said Janet Bennett, assistant manager.

Although other states have gift shops in their libraries, the idea is new to Michigan, Bennett said.

"We opened about a year ago," the Livonia resident said. "The Livonia Civic Center Library is the first in Michigan to open a gift shop in its library. We thought Betty's shirts would be a great item to sell here because so many Bentley grads live in the area."

"I GOT the idea because myself, my husband, Ronald and oldest daughter, Susan, graduated from Bentley," said Omar, a Livonia resident and Bentley graduate.

"Our youngest daughter, Becky, would have graduated from Bentley also if there had been a graduation class in 1986. Becky spent her senior year at Churchill instead."

"When Bentley was closed, there was a big brouhaha," Omar said. "A lot of people were very upset." The Roman poet Horace (65-8 B.C.) said, "Adversity has the effect of eliciting talents which, in prosperous circumstances, would have lain dormant." So Omar decided to make sweat shirts out of the adversity stemming from the closing of Bentley.

"The first shirt I monogrammed took 45 minutes. Now I can finish a shirt in a half hour," Omar said. "The monogramming is done on a machine like a sewing machine."

The sweat shirts come in white with green lettering or with white lettering on a green sweat shirt.

Omar said she'll "monogram sweat shirts with just about any kind of an inscription on them" from "I love my Irish Wolfhound" to the logos of Ford, Porsche, Newsweek, Nescafe and others, which can be legally copied.

Omar prefers to have one week to complete a customized sweat shirt order, but if it's needed in a hurry, she can have it ready within three days.

The cost of her custom sweat shirt is \$20.

IN ADDITION TO sweat shirts, the gift shop carries jewelry designed by Claire Edwards of Livonia, a recent graduate of the Detroit Center for Creative Studies, and Janet Snyder of Livonia. The earrings, pins and necklaces

from Edwards' design business, A la Carte, are large, colorful creations. Snyder's handmade jewelry is finely beaded.

The gift shop carries woodcarv-

ings of Saint Nicholas by Don Lenz of Livonia. The handwoven baskets are made of sumac, lilac or maple. The customized City of Livonia mugs are made by Debbie

LaRocque of Livonia. She specializes in making personalized mugs with photos, business cards, drawings, logos or whatever you desire, printed on them.



At right: The gift shop sells handmade jewelry designed by Claire Edwards, a Detroit Center for Creative Studies graduate, and Janet Snyder. Both are from Livonia.



Betty Omar created these custom sweatshirts in the aftermath of Bentley High's closing in 1985.



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Viola Canfield's handwoven baskets, Don Lenz's woodcarvings of Saint Nicholas and Debbie Larocque's personalized mugs are only a few of the items sold at the gift shop.

Artist to exhibit during festival

Northville watercolors and other works by local artist Linda Banks Ord will be featured by Atrium Gallery of Northville in an exhibition that runs Sept. 8-29.

The opening reception for "Northville Artist Paints the Town" will be 1-4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 15, at the gallery, 113 N. Center (around the back).

The reception is timed

to be during Northville's Victorian Festival, which runs Sept. 14-16.

Many of the Northville works exhibited will relate to historical themes and images, while others are of a more contemporary nature.

Other current work will include some of Ord's recent award-winning paintings as well as new explorations of im-

ages with emphasis on color.

Ord exhibits throughout Michigan and has won 12 state awards for her work since 1989. Most recently, she received a second-place Michigan Water Color Society Award of 1990.

Ord is president of the University of Michigan School of Art Alumni Society Board of Governors and a member of

the Michigan Water Color Society Board of Directors.

Regular gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday-

Friday. Festival hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 14; 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 15; and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 16.

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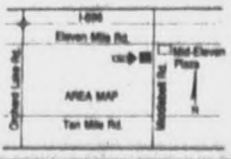
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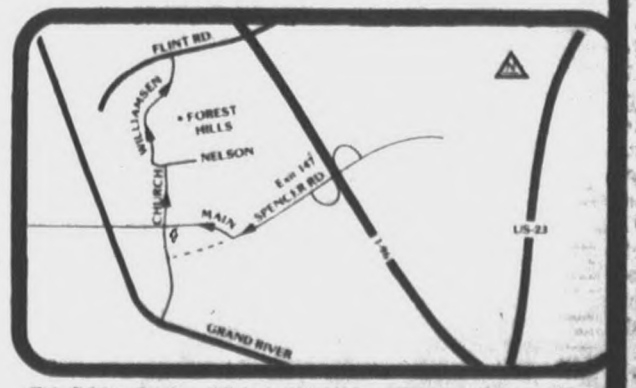


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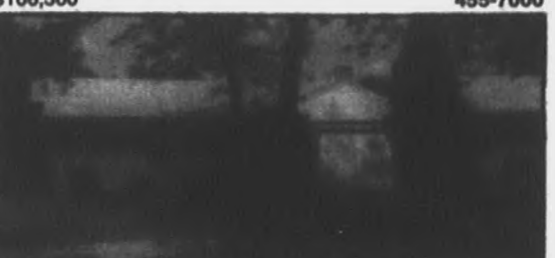
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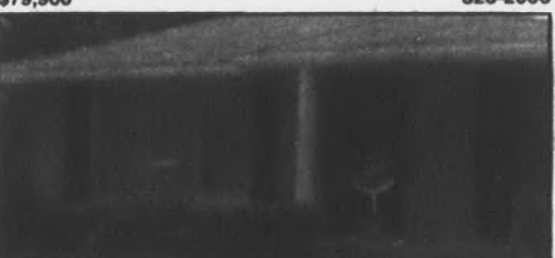
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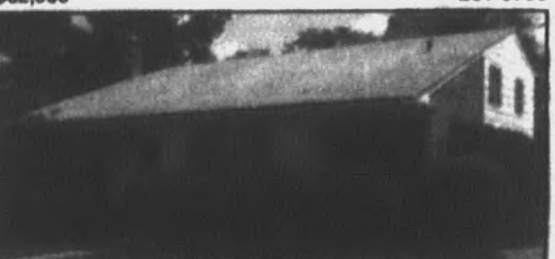
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Kitchen design lags recycling

By Doug Funke
staff writer

Trash separation and recycling may be the wave of the future, but you'd never know it from local designers and builders.

Little seems to be on the market or drawing board to help deal with sorting, storage and disposal of glass, metal, plastic and paper waste in kitchens.

Ask what's happening and you get responses like, "Absolutely nothing, as far as I'm concerned," said Gene Brown, president of a Plymouth construction company.

"You're asking a good question. Nobody's giving up extra space for papers, plastics. Why, I don't know. Something probably should be done," Brown added.

His was far from being a lonely voice in the wilderness.

"It's all in its infancy," said Stuart Cykiert, owner of Lenwal Building Co. of Farmington Hills. "You know how it is — we're all reactive rather than proactive. We're just waiting to see what happens."

Hear Rodger Houck, owner of Creative Kitchens of Rochester. "There's nothing really happening."

And James Allcorn, owner of Bloomfield Custom Kitchens.

"IT'S JUST beginning to come to a head now," he said. "I think our association (National Kitchen & Bath) will start addressing it soon."

Recycling and separation of recyclables probably will drastically change the lives of families who now dump all of their trash into one bag. Separate storage compartments would require more room than a single compactor or receptacle.

Then there's the matter of attractiveness.

"We were out to a kitchen and bath show last spring in Chicago," said Kevin Fox, a designer for Robert R. Jones Associates in West Bloomfield. "I noticed a number of companies supply kitchen cabinets . . . a sort of pantry unit with a series of bins for separate items."

"I think this sort of thing will filter down fairly quickly," he added.

But perhaps not until recycling is mandated.

"I THINK what happens is this (recycling) is not unlike the business of energy conservation," Fox said. "Very few customers are interested in spending money on extra insulation."

"I'm only guessing, but if you apply that same line of thinking, why spend money for extra cabinet space and figure I'm not going to use it," he said.

Not a single customer has asked for recycling elements in the kitchen yet, Fox said. Houck reported "no demand" and Allcorn only a couple of inquiries.

Trash separation seems inevitable, regardless of current demand for a working area to accomplish that objective.

Cykiert suggested that the kitchen isn't the best place to deal with recyclables, especially in smaller houses.

"We have a cove area in the garage — a multipurpose area — for tools, storage. They'll do it there," he said.

Allcorn and Fox also mentioned that the garage may be a better site than kitchen.

BUT IF THE kitchen is the room of choice, expect cabinetry design to provide solutions.

Allcorn said he now sells a popular storage cabinet in which two plastic or wire bins pull out on a track. However, more bins are needed for trash separation. More bins will add weight to the system and could affect the ease with which they slide on the track. "Maybe in the upper end of the market, builders will supply Trashmasters for glass and papers," Cykiert said facetiously.

Enter Paul Sincok, assistant city manager in Plymouth. "Some of the homes I've seen have multiple trash compactors," he said.

Sincok is in charge of Plymouth's recycling program.

"Should a builder plan for space for a recyclable area in the kitchen? Yes. If not in the house, in the garage area," he said.

"Plan for space. Recycling programs are changing on a daily basis. What works today may not work a month from now, six months from now or a year from now," Sincok said.



Moving forward on Auburn Mills

Work was expected to resume at the site of the Auburn Mills mega-mall in Auburn Hills after an Oakland County judge last week dismissed two lawsuits filed to block the project. Opponents, concerned about expansion of urban sprawl, traffic congestion and damage to the environment, have said they will appeal. Western Development Corp. says the \$200 million regional mega-mall with nine anchor and five major stores, more than 200 discount shops and a hotel will provide jobs and property tax revenues without a net destruction of wetlands acreage. A trial on further wetland matters remains to

be scheduled on an expedited basis. No official groundbreaking ceremony or major structural work is expected until all legal challenges have been resolved. Meanwhile, Western Development plans to move forward on site preparations. To date, preliminary work has included grading for road improvements, moving some trees and demolition of a couple of houses. The mall is expected to open in the fall of 1992. Stores are billed as selling merchandise at 20-60 percent below retail prices. The development will be built on 200 acres bounded by I-75, Baldwin, Joselyn and Lake Angelus roads.

Less tolerance for drug abuse in construction

By Mary Rodrigue
staff writer

Sawed-off fingers, spilt wheelbarrow loads of cement, and self-inflicted nailgun wounds were traumas one construction company suffered.

The bizarre accidents and screwups compounded by tools stolen from job sites finally led the San Diego Fence Co. to drug test its employees. The results: 15 out of 43 workers either failed or refused to be tested.

In a nationwide poll of eight industries, construction workers had the dubious distinction of rating the highest in substance abuse problems, according to *Builder* magazine.

That statistic echoes the findings of a 1987 University of Michigan survey that found 10 to 15 percent of all construction workers are substance abusers. Substance abuse costs the industry at least \$20 billion annually in absenteeism, health care, accidents and workers compensation.

"I think there's far more awareness today of the problem and less tolerance," said William Maloney, U-M associate professor of civil engineering and a former construction engineer who headed the survey.

Commissioned by the Construction Industry Institute, the survey said at least 600,000 of the nation's six million construction industry workers had a problem.

"More than 100 contractors and architectural firms took the report and developed programs and workshops to combat the problems," Maloney said.

He cited an Albuquerque firm, New Mexico's largest contractor, which implemented a safety program in tandem with drug testing. The result: Worker compensation

benefits paid out to employees dropped from \$950,000 to under \$50,000 in a year.

SOME LOCAL builders feel the worst is over in terms of substance abuse in the workplace.

"It appears that construction workers have cleaned up their act considerably," said James Bonadeo, president of Bonadeo Builders and spokesman for the Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan.

"There is much less lost time (due to substance abuse) than there was three or four years ago," Bonadeo said.

Just a few years ago, Bonadeo recalls a time when a crew would work until 10 a.m., "pass the smokes around at coffee break," have an unproductive late morning, break for lunch and call it a day.

"I think the young men have observed too much of what happens when they become drug dependent. They've seen what has happened to other people. The industry is relatively clean today," he said.

To some extent alcohol abuse remains, Bonadeo said.

A spokesman for Nosan Cohen & Associates, a West Bloomfield-based builder, agrees "there's always potential in the industry for alcohol to be a problem, what with guys who want to cut out at 3 o'clock. But personally we don't have a problem with drug abuse. It's a big zero."

IN FACT, alcohol was the drug of greatest abuse cited in the U-M study.

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The Living Environments Laboratory displays a number of building materials and systems that are designed to be adaptable to a more typically sized 1,200-square-foot, expandable house for the future. Architect David George of the firm Richardson Nagy Martin in Newport Beach, Calif., designed the prototype. The lab, called the Plastic House, maintains a traditional American home look, especially from the outside. The siding, which looks like wood, was developed specifically for the project using an extruded plastic

resin that has improved weathering capabilities. Inside the wall, experimental insulation of corrugated wood panels coated with a fire protective thermoplastic skin functions like a giant thermos bottle to regulate the inside temperature. The roof incorporates plastic composite shingles and molded plastic panels. Perhaps the most striking element of the house is the part that normally isn't seen: the way that all the environmental systems are controlled and linked together. A Total Environmental Control unit integrates the systems for heating, cooling, wa-

ter conditioning and heat recovery. For example, the TEC water collection system in the basement can take water directly from an integrated gutter system, which also can be used for heat storage. **ADDITIONAL COMPONENTS**, such as waste heat recovery units, can be added to the lines as snap-on units. All of the TEC units can be plugged in and out like household appliances. All the piping in the house can be accessed through pop-off wall and floor panels. Hard foam plastic underfloor tiles, shaped like an upside down eggcrate, form a grid

through which pipes can be run. Electronics in the Total Living Environments lab are equally well integrated. Molded baseboards include raceways that carry electrical power, telecommunications, temperature controls and security systems to a central computer control. Door frames contain space for wire raceways and integral light switches. A liquid crystal control changes the window glass from transparent to frosted as natural

light changes. Recycling also plays an important part in the GE Living Environments Laboratory. Concrete for the basement floor and the walks outside the house incorporates aggregate made of recycled thermoplastic. A disposing unit in the kitchen reduces domestic plastic waste to recyclable pellets. Other portions of the house demonstrate state-of-the-art equipment, such as a complete exercise unit in the master bedroom.

Drug abuse in construction

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"It's an issue the industry historically tolerated," Maloney said. "Workers drank beer right on the job. Even television commercials showed iron workers breaking for Miller time."

"Although many people do not consider it a drug, alcohol is the most abused drug by a significant margin," he added. "On-site construction workers are the last of the macho cowboys."

The survey was conducted as the country grappled with substance abuse. More organizations are now willing to begin drug screening. Unions run drug-testing programs where clean workers are given a certificate of health.

Of the 250 contractors who responded to the survey, 136 said they perceived a serious drug problem throughout the industry, while only six reported no problem at all. Fifty one said the problem among their own employees was serious, compared to 138 who said substance abuse in house was not serious.

"Health care, workers compensation, absenteeism, accidents, injuries and turnover rates all are higher because of substance abuse," Maloney said. "Impaired workers are not as careful in their work and tend to cause accidents or create safety problems."

SUBSTANCE ABUSE is by no means confined to construction craftsmen, Maloney added. "It occurs throughout construction organizations, from the carpenter in the field to the project manager in the office, to the designer at the computer," Maloney said.

Designers, the group that includes architects, draftsmen and urban planners, estimated the lowest rate of substance abuse in the industry. Individual design firms reported the rate of substance abuse among their own workers at 3 percent. Of the 52 designers who responded, only five perceived a serious drug problem in the industry.

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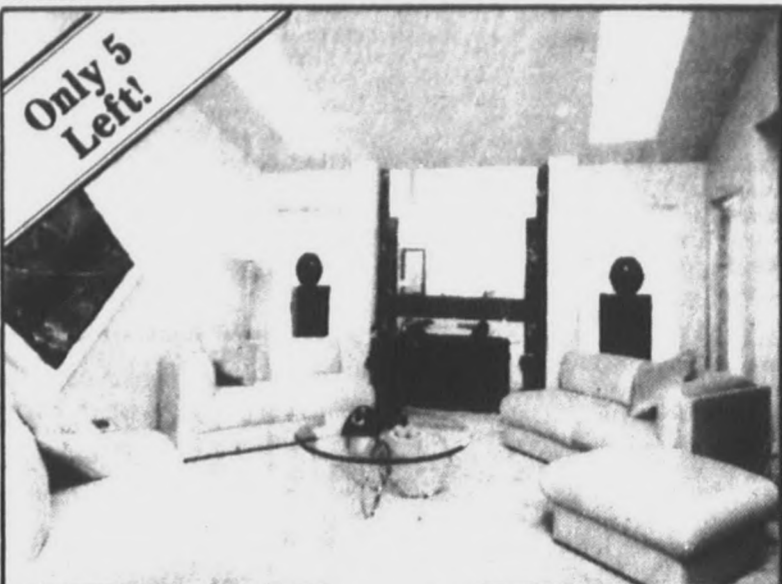
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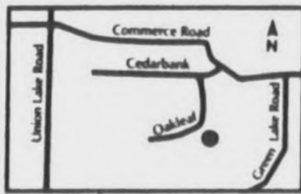
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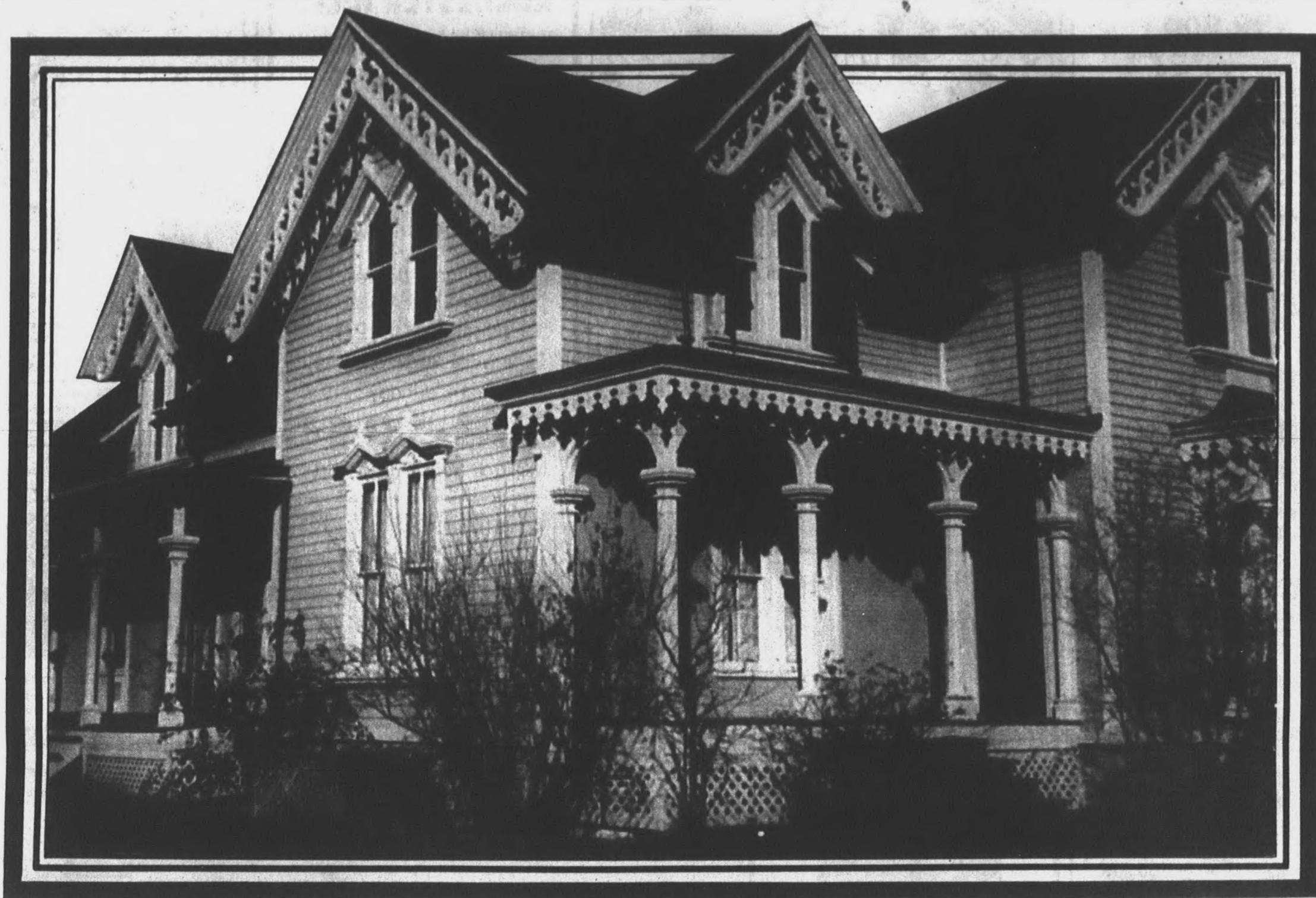
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IT'S THAT time: to batten down the hatches and bundle up the house. Fall is the best time to get the house ready to do battle with the winds, rains and snows of winter. And routine care can mean saving on major future expenses.



Starting at the top often is the best bet — and that means the roof. Examine it for broken or curled shingles that can mean leaks. Roofing experts say a 20-year-old roof with evident signs of wear should be checked and, likely, replaced. Have the chimney checked annually. Chimney sweeps recommend a full cleaning after about 180 uses.

Pull out the ladder and make for the gutters this fall. Clear out all gutters and downspouts and check for any alignment or leakage problems.

One way to keep unwanted snow and ice from gutters is by installing heat tapes in a zigzag pattern along the last few courses of shingles and in the gutter trough.

Gutter guards that keep leaves from accumulating are a good preventive measure.

WINDOWS OFTEN are the big culprit when it comes to drafts and loss of heat in the house. They should be caulked every two or three years. Putty where it's necessary. Take down the screens and put up the storms. Replace any loose weatherstripping around the doors.

The cold can cause extreme damage to water lines so insulate any pipes that might be subject to freezing. While you're still outside, check the driveway for any cracks and seal them.

This special fall home improvement guide, appearing today in all editions of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, is intended to provide a backdrop for getting in the proper spruceup spirit.

Spruce or move? No quick answer

By Amy Rauch special writer

IF YOU'RE trying to decide whether to remodel your house or look for another one, there's no easy answer.

Whether remodeling is a good investment depends largely upon what you're doing, how much you're spending and where you live.

"The improvements would have to be attractive across the marketplace, not just to the owner," said Bowen Brook, president of Max Brook Realtors in Birmingham.

And if you're considering major improvements, you might also consider moving.

"A lot of families move within 2-3 years after complete redecoration of their home," he said. "Some people feel it's wise, when they get that urge, to consider another house."

IF YOU decide to go ahead with major home improvements, you should consider how much the improvements will raise the value of your house. That could play a factor in the resale value.

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STEPHEN CANTRELL, staff photographer

At Left: "A lot of families move within 2-3 years after complete redecoration of their home," says Bowen Brook of Max Brook Realtors. "Some people feel it's wise, when they get that urge, to consider another house."

Timesaver

Clean it before deciding to refinish dull furniture

By Joan Boram special writer

OFTEN FURNITURE doesn't need to be refinished. It's just dirty and needs to be cleaned.

"Before you do anything else, just apply mineral spirits to a rag and clean the piece of furniture, or even a hardwood floor," advises wood care guru Homer Formby. "You'll be surprised what will come off, and you can save yourself a lot of work."

In the mid-'50s, Formby owned 17 antique stores. Frustrated because he couldn't find men to learn the art of refinishing, he developed his own "goof-proof" finishing products, and went on to become the "Ann Landers of furniture problems."

To clean a floor easily, Formby recommends that you put a rag over a wax applicator, and dip the mineral spirits from a roller pan, such as is used for paint.

If the piece looks worse clean than dirty, refinishing is the answer.

HERE, FORMBY shares a list of tips that will make your furniture refinishing easier and more successful:

- Identify the finish. Varnish, lacquer and shellac should be removed by different processes than paint and polyurethane. To identify the finish, touch a spot with a cotton ball dampened with nail polish remover. If the cotton ball sticks or softens the finish, it's varnish, lacquer or shellac. If there's no effect, it's polyurethane.

- Pick the right product. Avoid products that have a water base or require a water rinse. Water can cause extensive damage to wood. Also, the best finishing products don't require sanding after the finish is removed.

- Read the instructions thoroughly and follow them.
- Protect decorative trim. Cover with heavy-duty plastic to protect and cut down on cleanup.

- Choose your work area. Refinishing projects should be undertaken in a well-ventilated area with good lighting.

- Use a furniture refinisher that will gently dissolve old finishes without damaging wood.

- Pour out at least two cups of refinisher. This slows evaporation and will make your product go farther. Use only deep metal containers, like a coffee can.

- Work on one small area, about the size of a dinner plate, at a time.

- Absorb excess finish. You can use a cotton cloth, dry fine steel wool or finish remover pads.

- Work from the top down.
- When choosing a paint remover, go for the heavyweight. The heavier the can, the most effective.

- Paint removers work best when the temperature is between 65 and 85.



Wood care expert Homer Formby points out the difference that a face lift can make on worn, dull furniture finishes.

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- The older the paint, the harder it will be to remove. "If you know you're dealing with aged paint," Formby said, "apply generous amounts of paint remover and allow a little extra time for it to work."

- Stroke in one direction.
- Use a plastic lifter, rather than a metal one, to lift the old paint. Metal is more likely to scratch the wood.

- To get paint out of wood grain, carvings or other tight spots, use a genuine brass brush. Brush in one direction only to remove paint pigments. Brass brushes will stand up to wood and won't scratch when used correctly.

- After removing the paint, immediately "wash" the wood with paint remover wash on steel wool.

- Protect the wood. Whatever type of finish you remove, don't forget to apply a new protective coating of tung oil varnish or polyurethane to the wood. "Look for finishes that can be hand rubbed," Formby said. "Hand rubbing gives you a finish that will last and look naturally beautiful."

When in doubt, call 1-800-FORMBYS (Monday-Friday, noon to 8 p.m.; Saturday-Sunday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.) for free expert advice. (Formby employees assure that they make a genuine effort to help you solve your problem. They don't just recommend a Formby product.)

Stay cozy

For toasty comfort, try these cost-efficient tips

By Alison Ashton special writer

WHEN IT'S blustery and chilly outdoors, it's nice to come home to a house that's toasty and cozy.

But toasty and cozy can be costly if you're relying on outdated, inefficient heating systems or fireplaces that send more heat up the chimney than into the house.

Luckily, your options for heating your home when temperatures drop are numerous. Books, such as "Heating, Cooling, Ventilation" by Jay Hedden (Creative Homeowner Press), outline the choices, as well as their pros and cons.

● WOOD WAYS

Whether you go through harsh winters in the Midwest or mild ones in the Southwest, the fireplace is more than a homey amenity. Stone fireplaces are particularly efficient as they radiate heat into the structure of the

house, offering warmth long after the fire has died.

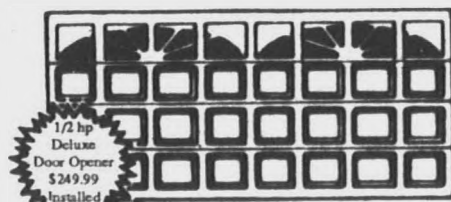
Wood-burning stoves are an ideal source if you have an inexpensive, plentiful supply of wood. The downside is that wood-burning stoves cause pollution. But more manufacturers are outfitting their stoves with catalytic converters, which cut polluting wood particles by as much as 60 percent, according to Hedden.

If you opt for a wood-burning stove, invest in a high-quality steel plate or a cast-iron model. A good, 500-pound stove will radiate heat for hours after the fire has gone out.

When using fireplaces or wood-burning stoves, the kind of wood you use makes a difference. Varieties, such as dogwood, live oak, apple, black birch or white ash, have high heat value. Black spruce, red fir, noble fir and white spruce have a low heat value. If you want warmth, obviously, choose a

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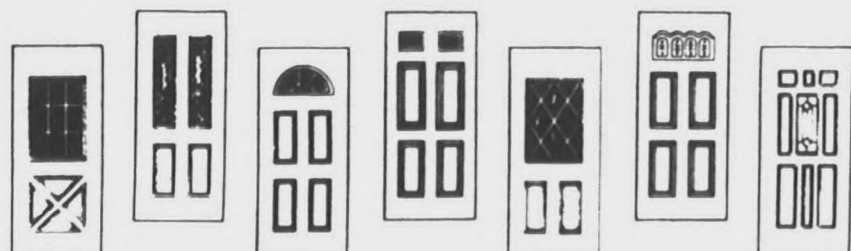
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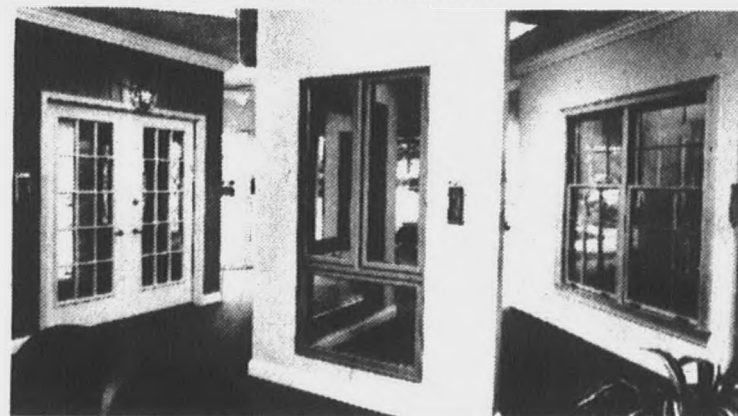
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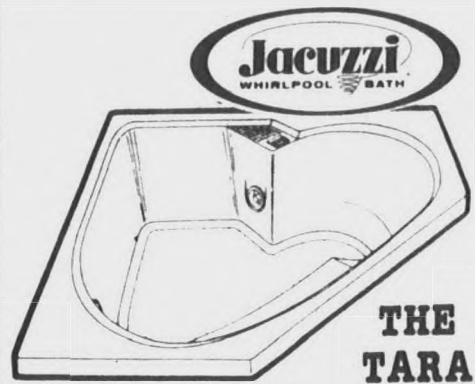


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Exhibit caution to protect wood

By Joan Boram special writer

I JUST love over-the-counter furniture refinishing products." Not quite the sentiment you'd expect from Steve Szuba, owner of Farmington's Old World Refinishing Ltd.

But the cherubic Szuba has a good reason for his fondness for do-it-yourself wood products:

"They bring me a lot of business," he said with a broad smile. "Either they don't perform as the client expects them to, or the client gets discouraged half way through, and I finish the project for him."

Eighty percent of the furniture refinished at Old World is antique. But a specialty of Szuba's firm is repairing and refinishing furniture damaged by fire.

"We've been called in where homes have burned to the ground. The pieces that we restore in case of fire are not necessarily old, or even valuable. People realize that restoring even badly damaged pieces is only one-third of the price of buying new and if the pieces are 20 or more years old, they're better made than even the finest new pieces."

Next, the piece is stripped, entirely by hand. "It's a painstaking process," Szuba said, "but it won't crack or dry out your furniture, like tank dipping will."

Then the project is thoroughly hand-sanded, eliminating small dents. Large dents are filled.

Szuba prefers and recommends that clients stay with the original color of the wood. If the client insists on a

Mile and Orchard Lake roads, there are two identical tables: one is still badly damaged by fire; the other, from the same fire, has been completely restored.

Old World offers furniture refinishing, repairs, stripping, seat weaving and caning.

SZUBA OUTLINES the steps involved in quality refinishing:

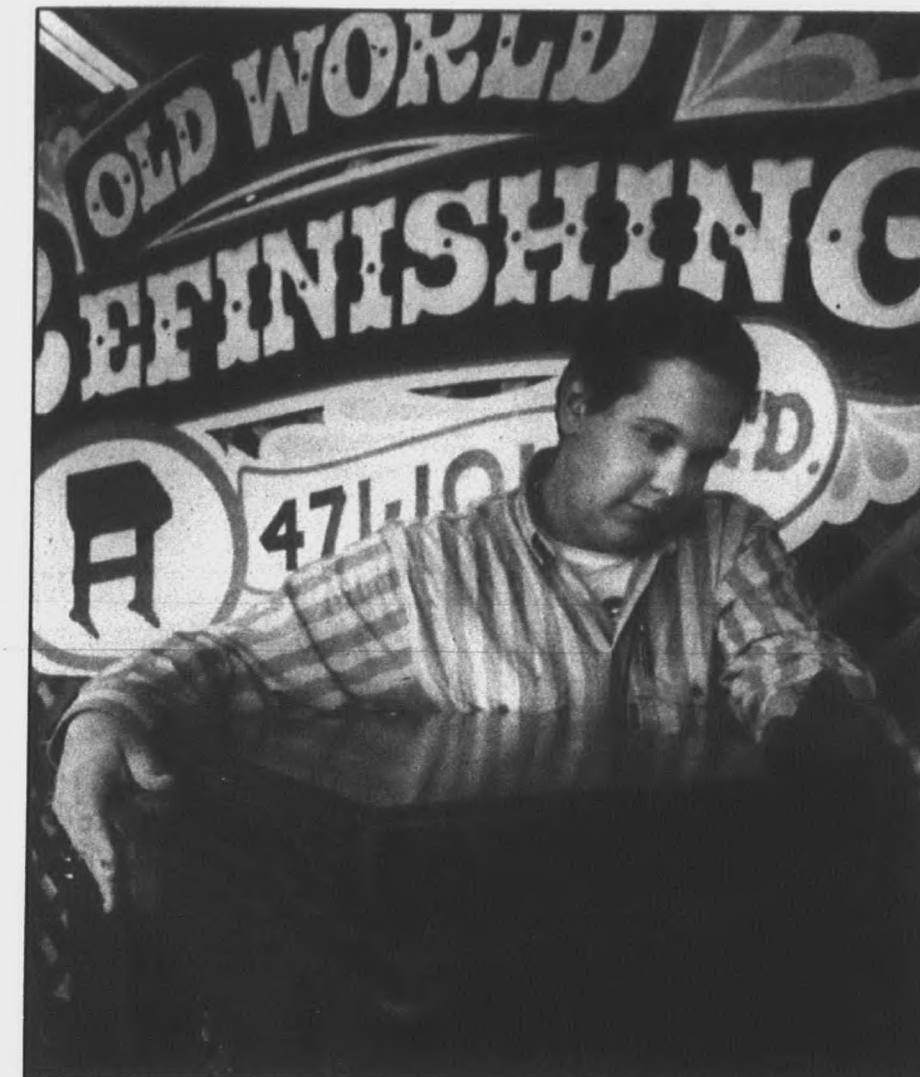
The first step is regluing and repairing. Chairs are completely disassembled and broken dowels replaced. After the chair is glued, it is put into clamps for 24 hours. "This forces the glue into the pores and cell structure of the wood," Szuba said. "A properly glued joint is stronger than the wood itself without the use of nails or screws."

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Steve Szuba of Old World Refinishing moves an old-fashioned sewing machine he's restoring.

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Outdated heating breeds extra cost

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high heat value. For ambiance, select wood with a lower heat value.

Hedden also suggests mixing green wood with dry to make the fire burn more slowly. And use care disposing of ashes: scoop them out of the stove or fireplace with a metal shovel and put them in a metal container in case there are hot coals among the ashes.

Once you have the right wood, there is the challenge of starting the fire. This "very basic act," Hedden said, "can frustrate a beginning fire maker."

Always open the damper, light newspaper and kindling wood, then add larger pieces of wood. Never use gasoline to start a fire.

Have your fireplace or wood-burning stove cleaned and inspected by a chimney sweep every year to clean away highly flammable creosote and check the damper.

● HEATING METHODS

Homes can be heated in a variety of ways and how your home is heated, says Hedden, depends on when it was built. Houses older than 50 years often have gravity hot air, water or steam systems. Newer homes often use forced hot air.

"No matter how old your heating plant is, if it is working well, don't replace it just to get a more modern system," Hedden said. "The difference in efficiency may be so slight that you will never recover the cost of the new heating appliance."

You can, however, improve and modify a less-than-perfect system by improving your home's ventilation or bolstering its insulation, both of which are important for energy conservation and efficiency during hot and cold months.

Copley News Service provided this report.



Main Fall Festival events are at the Gathering

The main events will be taking place at the Plymouth Gathering on Penniman across from Kellogg Park.

A Fall Festival tradition has been for the major events to take place at the Gathering.

Starting the Fall Festival Activities will be the Plymouth Business and Professional Women's Club Thursday night Bingo. Not only will the players be eligible for cash prizes, but the women will have the necessary supplies on hand for purchase to make your night at the Bingo table a winner.

Also on Thursday is the Veal Parmesan and Spaghetti Dinner. This will be available for the lunch crowd as well as those hungry dinner patrons. The meal is going to be served by the Salvation Army and is sponsored by the Fr. Victor J. Renaud, Knights of Columbus No. 3292. Serving will begin at noon Thursday.

Friday night is Rib Night and this will be cooked and served by the Plymouth Knights of Columbus. Rib dinners used to be a regular on the main meal line-up and the Knights of Columbus are bringing it back. The ribs will be cooked over charcoal on large pits built in the Gathering.

On Saturday the Plymouth Kiwanis Club Pancake Breakfast will start at 7 a.m. This annual breakfast is another one of the Fall Festival's long standing traditions.

On Saturday, it's the return of the Knights of Columbus as they sponsor another long standing Festival tradi-



Plymouth Rotary members John Morano, left, and Mike Ball, right, cook chicken for the annual barbecue held at the Gathering.

tion — Saturday night Steak dinner. This night you can have a complete steak dinner for \$6. Your dinner will include steak, potato, roll, cole slaw and pop.

The granddaddy of the Festival and the largest event at the festival is Rotary Sunday.

The Plymouth Rotarians who started the Festival back in 1956 will be

serving their famous Chicken barbecue dinner. With this dinner you will receive half a chicken that has been barbecued over open pits and seasoned with special secret Rotary seasonings. Also included with your dinner is an ear of corn, bag of chips, roll and beverage. Tickets for Rotary Sunday will be available throughout the festival from the "dog house" booths at

Ann Arbor Trail and Main and Penniman and Main.

If you cannot make it to the park on Rotary Sunday you still can have some of the palate pleasing chicken by picking it up at the new drive-through location at Ann Arbor Trail and Sheldon at Junior High West. This new site should provide patrons with easy in and out.

Community groups man the booths at festival

● POPCORN WAGON

The feeling of the "good old days" returns with the Kiwanis Club of Plymouth Popcorn Wagon. Taking you back into time, the smells of fresh popcorn fill the air as Kiwanis Club members tempt you with this great treat. A box of fresh popcorn will cost \$1. Soft drinks will also be available for \$1.

This past year proceeds from the efforts of the Kiwanis at Fall Festival went to help fund scholarships for the Plymouth Community Ice Sculpture Spectacular.

● ICE CREAM CONES

If you spell relief I-C-E C-R-E-A-M, then the Centennial Education Park Executive Forum has the answer for you. Again, this year the student government leaders will be scooping up cones, sundaes and kiddie cones.

Proceeds help fund student activities at the high schools including homecomings, dances, prom fashion shows and faculty appreciation week.

● PIZZA BOOTH IS BACK

Each year one of the most popular booths at the Fall Festival is the Senior Class Pizza Booth. This year will be no exception as the seniors tempt festival goers with pizza by the slice and pop each for \$1.

The proceeds from the pizza sales will go toward funding senior class activities at the high schools.

● COTTON CANDY A BIG HIT

Every day during the Fall Festival the Plymouth Theater Guild will be serving up the best in cotton candy, caramel corn and flavored popcorn. Also on the menu for the Theater Guild Cotton Candy Wagon is pop, which will sell for \$1. Cotton candy, caramel corn and flavored popcorn will sell for \$1.25.

Last year, proceeds from the Fall Festival went to help fund a theater lighting system for all of the organization's shows.

● SMELL OF KIELBASA

Festival goers look forward each year to lining up at the Polish Centennial Dancers booth for their kielbasa Sandwich, pierogi and stuffed cabbage. These culinary delights are also available on a combination plate along with Nalesniki (crepes) and pop. Kielbasa sandwiches will be \$3.50, kielbasa with kraut, \$3.75; pierogi, three for \$3; stuffed cabbage, \$1.75. The Nalesniki will be \$1.50 each, while the combination plate will be \$6.50 and pop in a can will be \$1. This double booth combination is always a popular luncheon and dinner stop.

Proceeds from the festival are used to promote the organization and the Polish dance culture as well as supplementing the fees charged to students in the program.

● CARNIVAL GAMES

This year the New Morning School will once again sponsor the carnival



Ken Robinson helped out at an arts and crafts exhibit.

games booth. Everyone wins, is the name of the game here as all players receive a prize. The booth will feature a duck pond, fish pond, gold mine, bean bag toss, sucker tree and a ring toss, all for just 50 cents.

● COMPUTER BOOTH

New for the 1990 Fall Festival is the I Care Committee booth. This booth will be selling computer software that is considered in the public domain.

Money raised from the participation in the festival will be used to enhance the Plymouth Canton community schools.

● ICE WATER

This booth offers a chance to cool down with a glass of ice water. The group from the First Baptist Church of Plymouth will also be passing out church pens and key chains. The booth will also feature religious books and tapes.

● ITALIAN ICE

Multiple flavors of Italian ice is the feature of the National Honor Society Booth. This popular booth features the hard studying and hard working group of honor students from the two high schools. They are attempting to raise money for honor cards for the high school graduations. This group has been studying their marketing plans to get you to the Italian Ice Booth.

● A NEW ENTRY

This year the Plymouth Canton

Football Boosters will enter the Fall Festival for the first time. The Boosters will feature nacho's with cheese. The group plans on serving two sizes of nacho's with the prices set at \$1 and \$1.50. This group of volunteer parents is dedicated to making this booth a success.

The Canton Football Boosters' attempt to raise money each year to help buy equipment that is deemed necessary by the coaches, but is not funded by the athletic department. In the past this group has held several car washes and other events to help raise money.

● YOGURT RETURNS

Frozen yogurt cups return again in 1990, this year TCBY Yogurt will be served by the Plymouth Canton Class of 1993. The group will be selling Yogurt cups and Yogabars. This will be the Class of '93s first attempt at a Fall Festival Booth.

● HOT DOGS AND ROOT BEER

The great taste of A & W hot dogs and root beer will be featured at the booth sponsored by the Canton High School senior class. Great for lunch, dinner or a snack the seniors in this booth are working to meet your hunger and thirst needs with some great products.

Proceeds will help fund the various activities of the Canton senior class including helping out with prom and homecoming expenses.

● ROASTED ALMONDS AVAILABLE

German roasted almonds are the featured item at the high school Class of 1992 booth. Snack packs will be \$1, while a 1/2 pound cone will be \$3.25 and a full one-pound cone will sell for \$6.

● READING IS HERE

If a book is what you need the American Association of University Women have them at their booth. The cost is only \$1 per inch, as measured from the front cover to the back cover along the spine of the book.

Proceeds from the book sale help fund scholarships for local students.

● BAG THAT TRASH

If you need to bag your trash the High School Marching Band Boosters has the answer for you. This group in their first year as a participating booth at the Festival will be selling trash bags for \$12 per box of 100. Also on sale will be a local merchant coupon book for \$3.50.

Proceeds from bag sales will help fund uniforms and equipment for the marching band.

● CIVITANS ARE BACK

At this booth you can get your photo taken and be buttoned all at the same time. The photo that the Civitans take of you and your special someone or special friends will be

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Festival rides

Kathy Richardson and daughter, Kara, found the rides to their liking at last year's festival

Groups man booths

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placed on a button for you to wear for only \$3.50. If you prefer you can have a key chain photo button or a magnet photo button for \$5. If you are hungry after getting your photo taken then you can pick up a Yaki Tori Steak Sandwich from the Civitans. In fact, if you plan it right you can watch your steak sandwich being cooked while you get your photo taken.

● FOR THE IRISH IN YOU

This group is in its second year of participation at the Fall Festival. You can stop by and pick up some shamrock cookies, Emerald Isle floats, Irish Cream Mousse or Leprechaun Lemonade. In the wearable department they have Shamrock Cafe T-Shirts for \$8.

● LIGHT THE WAY

A big hit at last year's Fall Festival was the Jaycees Luminaries. These special re-useable luminaries are available for \$10 per box.

Proceeds from the Festival go to help pay for the Plymouth Gathering which this group is helping fund.

● TIME TO GET TESTED

This is where you want to visit to get your cholesterol test completed. The University of Michigan M-Care Health Center staff will be on hand to administer the test. There will be a \$7 fee to cover the cost of the test.

● HEALTH CARE SCREENING

A return of the popular Health Van is scheduled again this year at the festival. Staff from the Catherine McAuley Health Center will be on hand to administer the painless but vital blood pressure screening. There will be no charge for this service and the staff will have a variety of other health information to pass out to festival visitors.

● HOCKEY SHOOT IS NEW

New this year will be the Plymouth Canton Hockey Association Hockey Shot Clock. This will involve the participant in shooting a hockey puck and it will be timed by the radar gun. The cost is \$1 for three shots. Also on sale at this booth will be the Hockey Association Cook Books.

● GREEKS ARE BACK

Fresh grilled shish kebab is on tap at this booth. Many a festival goer waits all year for the food from this booth. Also on sale will be gyros, pop and Greek pastry. This group will tempt you with all kinds of outstanding cooking at the festival.

● DARE SOMEONE HERE

This booth will be manned by the Plymouth Township Police Department and they will be on hand to pass out information on the local DARE program and crime prevention information.

Street closings at fest

Each year during the Fall Festival several city streets are closed off to accommodate the event.

This year it is anticipated that Main Street between Fralick and Ann Arbor Trail will be closed starting at noon on Wednesday, Sept. 5. The street is scheduled to reopen on Sunday, Sept. 9 at 8 p.m.

Also closed during the Festival will be Penniman from Union to Harvey Street. Union Street will be available for local traffic only between Roe and Penniman. Union will be blocked at Ann Arbor Trail.

Because of the size of the crowds on Sunday moving from the main festival area to the Arts and Crafts show at Central Middle School and to the Antique Show at the Cultural Center will

be closed from Church Street to Ann Arbor Trail.

The city of Plymouth Department of Public Works will begin to set up the detour signs on Tuesday prior to the festival.

The best-recommended parking is in the Central Parking Deck which will have parking attendants during peak festival hours. Also recommended is the Central Middle School Parking lot on Saturday and Sunday. Parking at Central Middle will allow festival visitors easy access to the Antique Show and the Artist and Craftsman Show as well as the main festival area.

Plymouth Police will enforce all posted no parking zones as well as all handicapped spaces and fire lane access routes.

Optimist Club to hold pet show

Each year at the Fall Festival, the Plymouth Optimist Club sponsors the Saturday morning pet show.

The event will take place at the bandshell starting at 9 a.m. on Saturday. There will be a wide variety of judging and prizes awarded for Plymouth area pets:

- Judging for dogs will take place at 9 a.m. and will include the smallest,

biggest, the one with the longest tail, longest ears, best dressed and the best-looking dog.

- The most unusual pets will be judged at 10 a.m., including the biggest, most colorful, best dressed and of course the most-unusual pet around.

- Judging for cats, including the smallest, biggest, longest hair, best dressed and the best looking cat in Plymouth will take place at 10:30 a.m.



FILE PHOTO

Good cookin'

There will be food for every taste. Above, Claudia Truax flipped burgers during last year's event.

Board plans annual Fall Festival

The Board of Directors for the Plymouth Community Fall Festival is made up of community volunteers who represent the various groups who participate in the event.

This year the board is headed by Larry McElroy, president, who represents the Plymouth Community Arts Council.

First Vice President and Entertainment Chairman is Marilyn Alimpich who is the representative of the Plymouth Business and Professional Women's Club. Second Vice-President and Chairperson of the application Committee is Rozanah Kafila and she represents the Civitans. Secretary for the 1990 year is Ed Wojtowicz of the Polish National Alliance Centennial Dancers of Plymouth. The Treasurer for the Festival Board is Skip Malin of the Plymouth Knights of Columbus.

Other board members are Mary Childs, representing the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce; Joe Henshaw, past president of the Fall Festival, who represents the Plymouth Community YMCA; the Plymouth Kiwanis Club is represented by Bill Leonard; Cam Miller is on the Fall Festival Board for the Plymouth Jaycees.

The immediate past president is Mike Pollard who represents the Plymouth Lions Club. Plymouth Rotary is represented on the Board by Ed Schulz. Long time board member and past president Eleanor Shevlin represents the Plymouth Symphony League.

This year for the first time the Church of the Nativity is represented by Larry Steaffohof. Representing the Plymouth Theatre Guild is Gene Hammonds. The merchant liaison is Gary Walley.

Acting as a non-voting advisor to the board is past president Ken Holmes. Ken also serves as a member of the Application Committee.

Annually the board hires expert help to assist with the daily operations of the event. This year for the third year the Festival Manager is Joe Bida. Following in Joe's foot steps is the assistant manager, John Bida.

"This father and son combo have worked well together, and they have been great for the festival," said Larry McElroy, president of the Festival Board.

In addition to the managers, the board also hires Paul Sincock to assist with the public relations for the event.

Free entertainment featured

Each year, the Plymouth Community Fall Festival sponsors a variety of free entertainment that will take place on stage near the Gathering on Penniman. This year's schedule is as follows:

- Thursday, Sept. 6: 5:30 p.m., Johnny Chase and His Magic Music Sounds; 6:30 p.m., opening ceremonies and city beautification awards; 7:30 p.m., Canton Seniors Kitchen Band; 8 p.m., Plymouth Community Band.

- Friday, Sept. 7: 5 p.m., Downriver Dulcimers; 6 p.m., Innovation, variety music running until 9 p.m.

- Saturday, Sept. 8: 9 a.m., Optimist Pet Show; 12 p.m., Twisty the Fun Clown; 1 p.m., Polish Centennial Dancers of Plymouth; 2 p.m., Just Me and the Boys, a bluegrass band; 3 p.m., Scheer Magic; 3:30 p.m., the O'Hare Irish Step Dancers; 4:30 p.m., Step Aside Band; 6:30 p.m., Polish

Centennial Dancers of Plymouth; 7:30 p.m., Johnny Trudell Orchestra.

- Sunday, Sept. 9: 8:30 a.m., Non-denominational Church Service of Music and Praise; noon, Plymouth Salem High School Rockettes; 12:30 p.m., the Step Brothers; 1 p.m., Sidekicks — Sweet Adelines; 1:30 p.m., Plymouth Theater Guild Presentation; 2:30, the Reason (Local Gospel Singers); 3 p.m., Plymouth Community Chorus; 4 p.m., Centennial Education Park Marching Band; 4:30 p.m., Plymouth Canton High School Chiefettes; 5 p.m., Plymouth Fife & Drum Corps.

Performing at locations through the Festival area at various dates and times will be: The Robert Collingwood Dixieland band, Clowns Around Redford, All Around Gymnastics and some C.E.P. Musicians.

Festival piano courtesy of Arnold Williams Music, Inc. (453-6586).

Firefighters sponsor safety house

One popular exhibit at the Fall Festival last year was the children's Fire Safety House.

The house gives children a first-hand safety presentation on fire in the home. The city of Plymouth Fire Fighters along with some help from other departments give children a fire safety lesson and the place them inside the house, which is sized for chil-

dren, for some real life experience with smoke in a house.

The smoke used at the fire safety house is a special non-toxic theatrical type smoke so no harm will come to any of the participants.

Expenses related to bringing the Fire Safety House to Plymouth for the festival are being met by the Plymouth Rotary Club.

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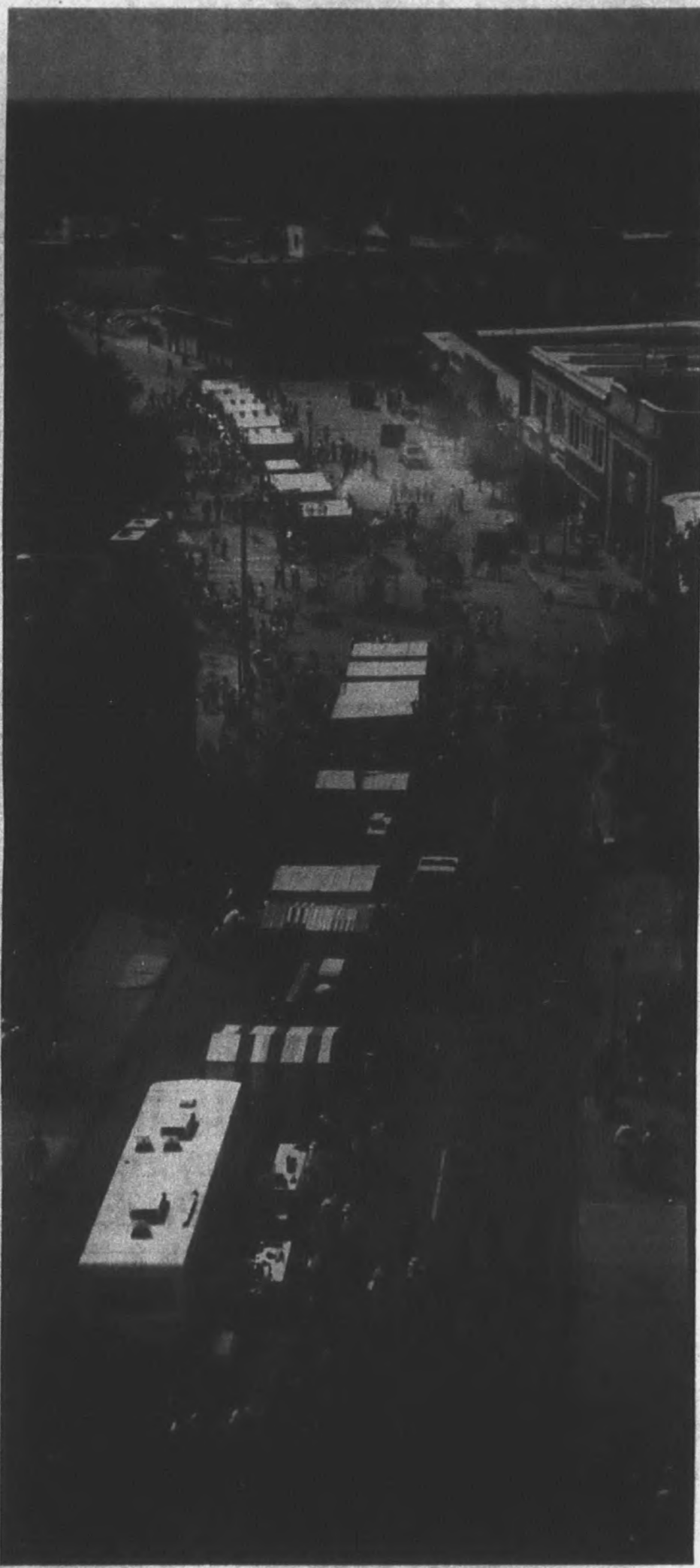
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Aerial view

Food booths were spread out along Main Street during previous Fall Festivals.

Fall Festival a tradition

Fall Festival is a tradition in Plymouth and that tradition will be carried on again this year starting today when the festival gets going.

The events range from a good old fashioned chicken barbecue sponsored by the Plymouth Rotary Club to art and craft shows. But between the two

are other events, activities and food that appeal to every taste.

And it's an event that everybody can get involved in, from children to oldsters.

On this page we take a look at the good times that have been had by many during past Fall Festivals.



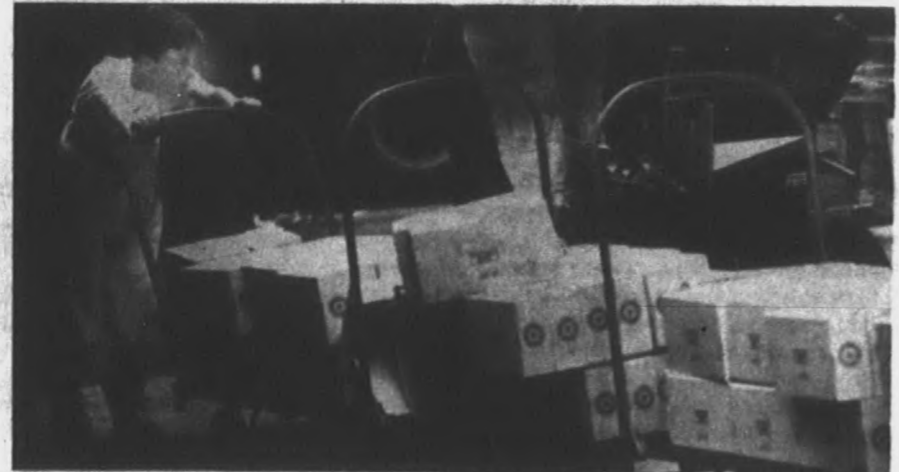
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Folks at the first Fall Festival held in the 1950s knew how to chow down.



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Ann Freier of Plymouth got a chance to feel like a firefighter with a little help from Plymouth Firefighter Bob Kroeger during a display.



FILE PHOTO

The Rotary Club chicken barbecue is one tradition at the Fall Festival that even the youngest get involved with. Above, Chris Morrow pushes a train of boxed chicken dinners.

League to sponsor annual Antique Mart

The Plymouth Symphony League returns to the festival with its annual Antique Mart.

The event features several dealers from around the Midwest with some outstanding products and will take place at the Plymouth Community Cultural Center, 525 Farmer Street near the railroad tracks.

The group will host a special invitation-only preview show on Thursday night and will be open to the public on Friday and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. and on Sunday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Another big attraction at the Fall Festival is the Plymouth Community Arts Council Artists and Craftsmen Show.

The event takes place at the Central Middle School, Main and Church streets. The juried art show will feature a large assortment of media from all around the Midwest. The cost to enter will be \$2 for adults and \$1 for senior citizens and students. Children under 12 are free when with an adult.

This show will take place on Saturday from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and on Sunday from noon-5 p.m.

Throughout the festival, the U.S. Postal Service will be featuring a special Fall Festival Cancellation stamp at the Post Office.

The post office will also sell all of its regular postal products.

The Three Cities Art Club will feature a display and sale of paintings in Kellogg Park on Saturday and Sunday during the Festival.

The event is another one of those great Fall Festival traditions. This allows the festival visitor to wander through the park and examine the works of art on display.

The best in garden products is on display and judged at the Trailwood Garden Club's produce tent. The display and judging helps bring back the old-time feeling of a country fair with displaying and judging of produce and flora — dried and fresh. Ribbons for best of show will be awarded at this tent.



FILE PHOTO

Wilford Bunyey's steam tractor was used in the early years of the festival to steam the corn.

Rotary Club started Fall Festival

The annual Plymouth Community Fall Festival was started by the Plymouth Rotary Club in 1956.

More than 30 years ago the local Rotary Club had the idea to host a community picnic at a neighborhood park to raise money for playground equipment for that park.

The Rotarians banded together and served 500 chicken dinners at Hamilton Park, located at Wing Harding streets. The park is now called Jaycee Park.

Since 1956 the Plymouth Rotary Club Chicken Dinner has grown from serving 500 dinners to as many as 15,000.

The purpose for the Rotarians work has changed from playground equip-

ment to earning money for a wide variety of community projects and world community service projects.

The Plymouth Rotary Foundation annually gives money for student scholarships and funded the fountain in Kellogg Park and Plymouth Rotary Park is located at Wing and Herald streets. This park has some highly popular new playground equipment due in part to the Rotary Chicken Dinner.

While the Plymouth Rotary Chicken Dinner has grown in size over the years, the one day community picnic has grown into a full blown four-day event. The four day event now serves the needs of many of the Plymouth Community non-profit organizations.



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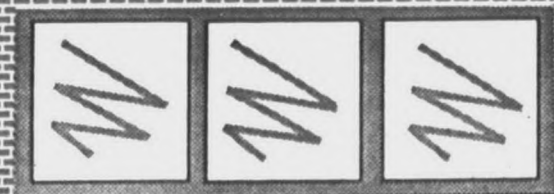
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Market influences home remodeling

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If, for example, the improvements will raise the value of your house from \$70,000 to \$100,000, but the houses in your neighborhood average in price at about \$70,000, you may not get back what you put into it.

"Chances are, you won't get it (the value) out," said Bill Bliss, president of William O. Bliss and Associates in Farmington Hills, an appraisal firm. "You're pricing yourself out of the market. If people are looking for a \$100,000 house, they're not going to look in a \$70,000 neighborhood."

Substantial improvements are worthwhile on certain lake-front properties as well as areas like Birmingham, where land values are rising and covering the cost of the improvement. "But that's the exception rather than the rule," Brook said.

"Improvements may also be worth your while if you plan on doing them yourself. 'If you're handy, you can come out pretty well with minor and even major improvements,' Brook said.

FORMER FARMINGTON Hills residents Sheri and Richard Torch remodeled their home a little at a time during the eight years they owned it. By the time they moved in 1988, they had redone the kitchen, added a

bathroom and replaced the windows and the roof. They also made improvements on their back porch and swimming pool.

Though they made the improvements for their personal enjoyment, it increased the value of their house as well.

"We remodeled basically for our own enjoyment, but also hoping that it would improve the value of the house," Sheri said. "And it did. We got the asking price for our house within a week."

The asking price, Torch said, was about \$10,000 more than the average value of houses in the neighborhood. "We did everything ourselves. That's where the savings were," she said.

Though people are still remodeling their houses, the trend is moving toward buying new homes, according to Shelley Raymond, president of Baker Street Interiors Limited in Livonia.

When people do decide to remodel, they're looking to please themselves rather than future buyers. "More and more people are doing it the way they want it," Raymond said.

Certain improvements probably won't raise the value of your home while others will.

IF YOU'RE thinking of re-doing your basement or putting in a swimming pool, for example, don't plan on getting the full value back,

Bliss said. A 50-percent return is about average.

"If you're going to put in a pool or remodel your basement, you better figure on getting your own use out of it," he said.

Kitchens and bathrooms, however, might be the route to go if you're looking for a good investment.

"Kitchen remodeling pans out pretty well, within reason," Bliss said. "Remodeling the bathroom or kitchen and adding insulation seems to kick in the price."

Where you put the addition is also important in a home's resale value. If you're adding an extra bedroom, for example, you don't want to have to go through the kitchen or another bedroom to get to it.

The decision of whether to remodel or move, though, comes down to the individual case in the end.

"Reasons can be quite different from one case to the next one," Brook said. "You have to really take a look at the motives and reasons and add it all up."

Create wine cellar in a closet

A real wine cellar, with temperature and humidity controls to protect quantities of precious vintages, is something that's beyond most people who live in average apartments and houses.

But Palace Brands Co., which imports wines, says anyone can create a small cellar in a closet.

Choose a closet used for off-season storage because the temperature will remain constant and cooler than one opened every day. Reserve about two square feet of floor space, add a wine rack, and collect a cellarage of 12 to 24 bottles.

The closet clutter — clothes, sports equipment, or whatever — will help maintain a good climate for the wine storage, away from light, heat and

excessive vibration.

You can collect a respectable cellar for about \$5 to \$10 a bottle, the company says. Whether you prefer white or red, it recommends you keep some of "the other kind" to go with dishes that demand that type (or for guests who prefer it).

Some white suggestions: Anselmi Soave from Northern Italy, Ladouette Sauvignon de Sauvignon from the Loire Valley of France, or Casal Thaulero's Trebbiano from Italy's Abruzzo region. Reds: Bouchard Pere & Fils Beaujolais or Mouton-Cadet Bordeaux, both from France, or Rubesco from Lungarotti in Italy.

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Fall winds blow in home checklist

By Kevin Anderson
special writer

THE STATUS symbol of the 1990s may be a dumpster in your driveway.

From seasonal cleanings to fix-it projects to room additions and remodeling, home is where the action is.

• DO-IT-YOURSELF

The following simple home maintenance projects and suggestions can save you hundreds of dollars.

Water damage can sneak up on you. Check and repair the caulking around sinks and tubs regularly, reseal tile grout as needed, and make sure your landscape drainage directs water away from the home's foundation.

Next time it rains hard, head for the attic. Look for leaks, and if necessary, make plans to repair the roof. Catch a leak early and you won't have to repair or repaint ceilings and walls in rooms below the attic.

Moisture, wind, heat and cold can warp, fade and damage outdoor decks. Make sure the wood is completely dry, then apply a protective sealant. (Ask for recommendations, based on the type of wood and degree of exposure, at your local paint and hardware store.)

Check your garage door — particularly if it is a mechanical one. Tighten the screws and oil the hinges, read the owner's manual and follow the maintenance suggestions.

• CLEANING TIPS

Vacuuming once or twice a week helps preserve your carpet. If seams have separated, call a carpet repairman immediately.

When you clean windows, also clean window tracks. Rub a candle or paraffin wax along tracks to lubricate them — it's easier on nylon rollers and won't attract dust. Make sure "weepholes" are clean and unobstructed, so water won't accumulate.

Throw salt in your fireplace. It helps prevent soot accumulation and adds color to flames.

Avoid washing wood cabinets — instead, treat them like fine furniture. Dust regularly and polish with lemon oil. Pay particular attention to cabinets exposed to moisture and heat (such as those near the sink and dishwasher).

If you have hardwood floors, first vacuum them to lift the dirt, then dust mop. Buff occasionally and re wax once a year.

• HOMEOWNER'S LIBRARY

You have a family medical guide handy in case of emergency. Keep reference books on hand to ensure the health and well-being of your home, too. Here are a few new ones, available in paperback:

• "Quick Fix Home Repair Handbook" by Katie and Gene Hamilton (Harper & Row)

• "Preventive Home Maintenance

Toolbox for the house

Here's a basic tool kit for homeowners:

- *Claw hammer.
- *Set of screwdrivers.
- *8- and 10-inch adjustable wrenches.
- *Combination square.
- *16-foot measuring tape.
- *Carpenter's pencil.
- *24-inch carpenter's level.
- *Saws and a hacksaw.
- *Utility knife.
- *Safety equipment (goggles, dust mask, gloves).

How to detect and prevent structural, electrical, plumbing and other common problems in your home" by the American Society of Home Inspectors and the editors of Consumer Reports Books (Consumer's Union).

• "Mary Ellen's Greatest Hints" by Mary Ellen Pinkham (Ballantine)

• CONTRACTOR SEARCH

According to "Practical Homeowner" the top 10 most popular remodeling projects are, in order: interior face-lift; standard island kitchen; fireplace addition; bath addition; deluxe bathroom renovation; standard bathroom

renovation; kitchen face-lift; deluxe kitchen renovation; attic conversion to bedroom and deck additions.

The key to a successful remodel is finding the right contractor. A rule of thumb is that good contractors make good contracts. Make sure everything is in writing: detailed plans, project scheduling, reasonable prices, types and amounts of materials — then have your lawyer review everything.

Narrow your search for the right contractor by asking local architects and designers for referrals. And be sure to talk to any neighbors and friends who have recently remodeled their homes.

When you find a promising contractor, make sure he's solvent. The worst thing that can happen is for your contractor to go out of business in the middle of the job. Check his fiscal health by calling his regular subcontractors and suppliers. Ask if he pays promptly.

To find out if a contractor is reliable, interview past clients. Ask how well he met deadlines, estimated his fees, and solved problems that arose during the job.

• COOL WEATHER

Winter can take its toll on the best of houses. Prepare yours, and you'll prevent potential problems.

Repair or replace loose weatherstrip

ping around doors and windows, and check the putty around window glass. Paint over it to seal it, or, if it is crumbling, replace it. Take down the screens and install storm windows.

Inspect the roof. You don't want to have to replace shingles during a storm, so take care of any loose ones now. While you're up there, make sure gutters and downspouts are free from blockages. Inspect the metal flashing around the chimney and reseal it if needed.

Trim the bushes and trees in your yard, and repair fences and walls. If driveways or walkways are cracked, have them sealed. Also seal any cracks in the home's foundation.

How's the paint on your house? Now's the time to sand and patch any peeling areas.

Check the heating system, remove room air conditioners, and if it hasn't been a while since the chimney was cleaned, make an appointment with a chimney sweep. Check your home's hot water heater, and service any radiators.

If any of your water lines are subject to freezing, make sure they're properly insulated; drain exterior lines and open taps (if necessary).

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Tip talk: cabinets, faucets, circuits

Q. — I have built-in corner cabinets in my dining room that I painted to match the room trim. The cabinet doors are pine, and after two years, the knots are bleeding through and looking really bad. The doors now have four coats of paint but it doesn't stop the bleeding. Is there an easy way to seal these knots to prevent this from happening again when I repaint the doors?

A. — Probably your cabinet doors were not primed and sealed prior to the original painting. The Parks Corp. of Somerset, Mass., has a product called UnderCover, which they claim will keep wood-knot and sap stains

sealed beneath its prime undercoat. UnderCover is available in paint stores and costs about \$20 a gallon.

Don't add a fifth coat of paint to the cabinet doors. Strip off the four coats now on the doors and sand all the rough areas for a smooth, clean surface. Apply the UnderCover primer paint, let it dry thoroughly and then repaint.

Q. — I have a problem with the shower diverter on my bathtub faucet. When the knob is pulled up to divert water to the shower, a lot of water continues to flow into the tub. Is there any way either to replace or repair this fixture without having to open up the wall?

A. — Yes. The diverter valve mechanism you refer to is inside the tub faucet spout, not inside the wall. The spout is screwed onto the water pipe and can be unscrewed easily. Once the spout is off, you can see the mechanism. It's a small gate valve on the base of the plunger shaft. Water pressure holds it up (closed position). Turn off the water and the gate valve drops, opening the tub spout so water flows into the tub next time it's turned on.

If the diverter can't be repaired, it's cheap and easy enough to replace the entire spout, including the diverter mechanism. These spouts are available at plumbing supply stores and home centers and usually cost between \$10 and \$15.

There are different types and sizes of diverter spouts available, so take your old spout along to make sure you get the right one. Check especially that the setback distance of the threads within the spout matches the length of the protruding water pipe so that you get a tight fit between the spout shoulder and the wall.

When replacing the spout, use pipe-joint compound or Teflon sealing tape on the threads to prevent leaks. Completely fill the hollowed-out back end of the spout with plumber's putty to keep water from getting in behind it and penetrating the wall.

Q. — Recently, an electrical wall outlet in our home shorted out and threw sparks around violently. To my amazement, the circuit breaker failed to trip. An electrician examined our service panel and told us it was made by the Federal Pacific Co. about 25 or 30 years ago. According to him, the split bus panel is illegal by today's standards, and he recommended

replacing the entire panel box with a new one that would cost between \$500 and \$600. Is there a safe but more reasonable solution?

A. — There may be a more reasonable solution than replacing the entire electrical panel box. Your split bus panel is not causing your circuit breaker problem even though it is not in compliance with the latest electrical code.

After 25 years, if a circuit breaker has never tripped, it is possible that corrosive deposits have formed that would cause the breaker to stick and malfunction. As a precautionary measure, it's a good idea, at least once a year, to trip the breaker (move it to the off position) and reset it for each circuit, including the master disconnect, if there is one. Replacing all your breakers, especially those that are hard to trip and reset by hand, is cheaper than a new panel.

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HOMEFACTS

How secure is your home?



Every 10 seconds, a home is burglarized in the United States. SOURCE: Changing Times magazine

Copley News Service

Cooling that hot-water tab

Domestic hot water accounts for 25 to 33 percent of your total energy bill, according to the Better Heating-Cooling Council.

The greater your space-heating requirements, generally the greater your hot water bill. That's a lot of money for hot water!

Many homes have a separate water heater, with a burner to do the heating.

Although the energy factor for a gas-fired water heater is as low as .40, the more typical is .55.

But more important than efficiency to the homeowner is the actual cost for the hot water his family normally uses. For example, a 40-gallon, gas-fired water heater, with delivery the first hour of 65 gallons, would cost about \$190 per year if the gas rate is 60 cents per therm.

A 40-gallon electric water heater, on the other hand, may have an energy factor of .90, and could deliver about 45 gallons the first hour, but would cost \$482 per year to operate if the electric rate is 8½ cents per kilowatt hour.

MILLIONS OF homes, however, obtain their domestic hot water without needing a storage tank or separate water heater. They use a simple device called a "tankless heater," a coil of copper tubing that's inserted in the hot water of a boiler.

Cold, fresh water feeds into the copper tubing, which picks up heat from the hot boiler water. The water remains in the tankless tubing until a hot water faucet is opened.

During the heating season when the boiler is operating, fuel used for water heating is directly in ratio to the amount of hot water used, the boiler itself being used to heat the house, explains the Better Heating-Cooling Council.

During warm weather, the domestic hot water continues to be heated in this way by means of the automatic controls, which are provided with the boiler, even though the house heating is cut off by the thermostat.

These are some additional facts for the energy-conscious consumer to keep in mind when making a decision on a home heating system.

Use garage space to its maximum

A GARAGE offers much more to a homeowner than just a place to park the car.

To help homeowners learn how they can take full advantage of their garage's potential as a storage and work area, the Genie Division of Philips Home Products offers suggestions about how to get the most out of your garage. These are useful ideas on ways of using garage space to suit individual homeowner needs.

Look at your garage and determine your needs before getting started. In addition to the family car, will the garage be used to store hand and

power tools, a lawnmower, a snowblower, gardening equipment, a bicycle, firewood, a spare tire and so forth? Will it be used as a workshop?

Most storage problems arise from a lack of floor space. Storage units can be built above floor level, using shelves, cabinets, hooks, brackets and lofts. The suggestions include different types of shelving and hanging systems, overhead platforms and lofts as well as workbench and cabinet designs.

Correct position for door openers and accessories, power tools, shop vacuums and other electrical-powered items are important. To ensure a safe

installation that conforms to all electrical codes, Genie recommends that electric work be done by a licensed electrician.

CONSIDER THE importance of garage doors and openers. When opened by hand, a garage door should operate smoothly and lift easily with no binding. The mainspring used to lift the door is installed under tremendous tension and can be very dangerous when proper precautions are not taken. If a door needs to be adjusted or replaced, it should be done by a professional.

There are three different types of garage opener systems. Trac drive systems are the easiest to install, are quiet running and never need lubrication or maintenance. Chain drive openers use a gear and chain

system that require periodic lubrication and adjustment. Screw or worm drive units use a long-threaded rod that turns to open the door.

Once installed, occasional lubrication is needed. Review safety, convenience and security features when buying a garage door opener.

Plan ways to control trash and clutter in the garage. A versatile wet/dry utility jet vacuum will help keep your new workshop or gardening center free of dirt, sawdust and debris as well as any liquid spills.

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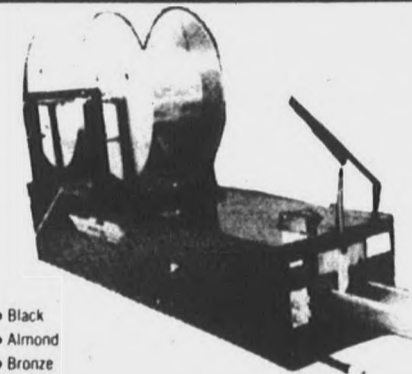
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