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**THIS  
WEEK**

**Open for business:** A new market has opened in the former Pierre's site. /A3

**Who's the best?:** Clarkston invited second-ranked Roseville to a wrestling meet Saturday, then treated them rudely in a 38-27 spanking. /B1

## AUTO SHOW

**Show of shows:** Detroit's North American International Auto Show opens to the public on Saturday and our special section in today's paper offers information on the show.

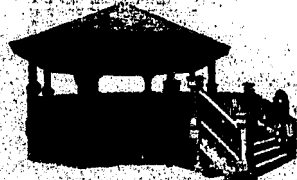
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## VINTAGE



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In the 1930s and 40s, while America was suffering through the Great Depression, the government tried to find ways to put people to work. To reach that goal, the Work Projects Administration (WPA) began the Federal Writer's Project in 1936. The staff of the project was paid to collect life histories of everyday Americans.

The Library of Congress has a collection of 2,900 of these life histories, collected by workers in 24 states. The writers would interview their subjects, often recording their conversations word for word. Each history also included information about the subject's education, income, occupations, political views, religion, medical needs, diet and other observations. These histories are unique windows into everyday life during that era.

Over the next several weeks, we will take a peek through the windows and see how people lived. We will read histories from big cities and small towns, and from the East Coast and the West Coast and in between.

And, thanks to 1990s technology, we do not need to travel to Washington, D.C., to visit the Library of Congress to look into the windows; we only need to turn on our home computer. All of the histories are available on the Internet. They can be found on the Library of Congress American Memory home page (<http://www2.loc.gov/ammem/ammem-home.html>).

*Vintage Clarkston is written by Kim Huttenlocher, vice-president of the Clarkston Community Historical Society.*

## Water park plans progressing

★ DEVELOPERS OF A PROPOSED \$10 MILLION FAMILY WATER PARK AT INDIAN SPRINGS HAVE ASKED SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP TO REZONE 40 ACRES. MEANWHILE, NO HEARING HAS BEEN HELD ON THE TOWNSHIP'S LAWSUIT INVOLVING THE DEVELOPERS.

BY CAROLYN WALKER  
STAFF WRITER

The Huron/Clinton Metropolitan Authority has submitted plans to Springfield Township and applied to rezone 40 acres for Planned Unit Development use as a family aquatic center at Indian Springs Metropark.

A PUD is a provision in the zoning ordinance that allows a broader flexibility in development. It can result in

multiple uses on a single parcel of land and, generally, requires a developer to prove that his/her proposal would be a benefit to the community.

The HCMA submitted plans Dec. 2 as a way to "speed up the process" of creating a \$10-million water park, according to HCMA spokesman Dave Moilanen.

The PUD plans call for a wave-pool, lazy river ride and slides, among other

amenities. "One of the reasons we did submit this PUD is to get around those legal issues," Moilanen said, referring to two unresolved matters between the HCMA and Springfield officials awaiting a hearing date in Oakland County Circuit Court. Those matters include the HCMA's contentions that it was not properly notified when zoning of its property was changed, and that the HCMA has a prior, existing, non-conforming use that is not subject to the zoning ordinance.

The proposed aquatic facility has been hotly debated in Springfield for well over a year.

Last June, Circuit Court Judge

Nanci Grant ruled that the HCMA must abide by township zoning ordinances and granted the township's request for a preliminary injunction, meaning the HCMA cannot proceed with construction until a hearing has been conducted on the two aforementioned issues.

Attorneys for both sides expected a hearing date by September and are still waiting.

"We haven't heard anything," Moilanen said of the lawsuit, adding that park commissioners hope to meet this week and receive an update from their

Please see **WATER PARK**, A4



STAFF PHOTOS BY STEVE CANTRELL

**Slip and fall:** Leif Gruenberg takes a spill on the ice while playing hockey with his sons, Ansel and Axel.

## Slip, sliding away

### Frozen Mill Pond makes for winter fun



Mother Nature turned the Mill Pond in downtown Clarkston into a winter playground for Clarkstonites last week while kids were off school for Christmas break.

Frigid temperatures froze the pond sufficiently enough for kids big and little to safely play hockey, figure skate or just slide around on their boots.

At left, Mark Warner found another use for a hockey stick as he pulled along his daughters, Christine and Ann Marie.

Of course, with the unseasonably warm temperatures and rain this week, the ice on the pond is now dangerously thin.

Weather forecasters are predicting temperatures that are more January-like the end of this week. It probably won't be long before the Mill Pond is frozen for fun again.

## Pine Knob ski patrol: Be aware, use care

BY CAROLYN WALKER  
STAFF WRITER

In light of the recent skiing deaths of Michael Kennedy and Sonny Bono, Clarkston-area ski patrollers Dr. Stephen Werner and John Lutz are offering advice on how to play it safe on local slopes.

**■ 'The idea is to always be in control. Don't do anything reckless.'**

*Dr. Stephen Werner  
Pine Knob Ski Patrol  
director*

directs the ski patrol system at Pine Knob Ski Resort in Independence Township.

Werner and Lutz offered tips for safe skiing after word came that former entertainer and politician Sonny Bono had died Monday after hitting a tree while skiing.

Kennedy, a member of the famous Kennedy clan, died New Year's Eve of head and spinal injuries after hitting a tree while playing a game of football on skis.

"It's really be aware of your surroundings," echoed Lutz, an Independence Township resident who has been a member of the Ski Safety Board for the state of Michigan since 1994.

Lutz said that members of the Michigan ski industry would like to see common, similar trail signs posted at ski resorts throughout the state for continuity's and safety's sake.

"We're starting to see more (injuries)," he said, attributing the increase, in part, to the increasing number of snow boarders who share the slopes with skiers.

Improvements in ski equipment over the past several years have helped limit the number of ski injuries because the equipment is now designed to be less cumbersome and less inclined to become entangled with a skier.

Snowboards, however, Lutz said, are strapped to their users and pose a greater risk during falls. He called them "a reversal of where the ski industry is going."

According to Werner, who has been director for six years, there is a Skiers Responsibility Code posted at Pine

Please see **SKI SAFETY**, A4

## Lighthouse may pick up anchor, new manager says

BY CAROLYN WALKER  
STAFF WRITER

Dori Edwards, new branch manager of Lighthouse Clarkston, hopes the care-giving organization will become a brighter beacon of hope for the north Oakland County area during her tenure. And as it does so, she anticipates that Lighthouse will have to move out of the historic Presbyterian church it has called home since 1990 and into a larger facility.

The building now used to service about 300 families per month is stuffed to the rafters, seemingly, with donations of clothing and other household items. Edwards said she is interested in hearing suggestions for a new location that is central to northern Oakland County.

Meanwhile, Edwards, who replaced four-year branch manager Wendy Halsey on Dec. 15, wants people to

Please see **LIGHTHOUSE**, A4



STAFF PHOTO BY STEVE CANTRELL

**Expanding horizons:** Dori Edwards, new manager of Lighthouse Clarkston, hopes to expand the service organization's clientele base and move Lighthouse into larger quarters.



## ON THE AGENDA

**Springfield Township**  
650 Broadway  
Davisburg  
625-4802, 634-3111  
**Board of Trustees**  
7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 8  
**Tentative Agenda**  
**Call To Order:**  
**Roll Call:**  
**Agenda Additions and Changes:**  
**Public Comment:**  
**Consent Agenda:**  
a) Approval of Minutes: Dec. 11, 1997 Regular Meeting  
b) Acceptance of December Treasurer's Report  
c) Receipt of December Reports: Building, Electrical, Plumbing, Mechanical, Litigation, Fire and Ordinance  
d) Authorize payment of bills as presented  
e) Authorize collection of summer taxes for Holly Area Schools, Oakland Schools, Oakland Community College, Brandon School District and Clarkston Community Schools  
f) Reappoint Collin Walls to one-year term to ZBA  
g) Receive report on 1998 Gypsy Moth Spray Program  
h) Approve 1998 dues (\$170) for Clinton River Watershed Council  
i) Authorize waiver of interest and penalties of 1997 winter taxes for qualifying individuals for period of Feb. 16-28  
j) Amend Township Policy Manual, Benefits and Health Care Benefits Sections, as set forth in Dec. 31 memo.  
**Public Hearing:**  
Special Land Use-CAM Development  
**Old Business:**  
1. Development of Job Descriptions  
2. Consumers Energy Fran-

chise Ordinance  
**New Business:**  
1. CAM Development  
2. Amendments to Zoning Ordinance 26—First Reading  
a) Civil Infractions, Section 23  
b) Environmental Performance Standards, Articles II, XVII, XXIII  
3. Policy for CDBG Funds for SADs  
4. Fire Department Policies  
5. Repair & Decorating—Andersonville Road Lower Apartment  
6. Open Space Planning Workshop  
7. 1998 Goals & Priorities  
**Public Comment:**  
**Adjourn**

**Independence Township**  
90 N. Main St.  
Clarkston  
625-5111

**Planning Commission**  
7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 8  
**Tentative Agenda**

**Roll Call:**  
**Public Comment:**  
**Public Hearing:**  
File No. 97-1-060  
Mr. & Mrs. Cobane, Petitioners, Request special land use approval for home occupation in R-10 Zone, Heather Lake Meadows No. 2 Subdivision, Thornhill Dr., Lot 105, 08-12-277-008.

**Old Business:**  
File No. 97-1-041 & W97-009  
Mark Hubbard, Petitioner, Request final site plan/wetland approvals for Ashford Subdivision, 53 Lots, R-10 Zone, 96 Acres, Sashabaw & Oakhill Roads, 08-02-100-001.

**New Business:**  
File No. 97-1-057  
Hoyt Frericks, Petitioner, Request conceptual site plan approval, Woodlyn Court Subdi-

vision, Allen Road, 8.24 acres, R-1A Zone, 08-17-300-040

**File No. 97-1-061**  
Paul Silverman, Petitioner, Request tentative preliminary plat approval, Lake Waldon Pointe Subdivision, 9 Lots, 18.71 Acres, R-1A Zone, 08-28-252-002

**Election of Officers for 1998**

**Approval of Minutes:**  
Nov. 13, Dec. 4 & Dec. 11

**Continuing Review:**

**Planner's Report:**

**Staff Report:**

**Committee Report:**

Any further information regarding the above public hearings may be obtained at the township planning office during regular office hours 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday or by phone at 625-8111.

**Clarkston Schools**  
6389 Clarkston Road  
625-4402

**Board of Education**

6 p.m. Monday, Jan. 12

**Tentative Agenda**

1. Call to Order

1.1 Secondary Presentations

■ Renaissance High School:

Marilyn Allyn

■ OTC Northwest: Dan Manthei

■ Clarkston High School:

Brent Cooley

1.2 7 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance

1.3 Roll Call

1.4 This month's bulletin board display was provided by the students and staff of Pine Knob Elementary.

2. Approval of Consent Agenda

2.1 Approval of Agenda

2.2 Approval of Minutes: Dec. 15, 1997

3. Citizen Requests to Address the Board

Protocol procedures for addressing the Board:

3.1 You are given two opportunities to address the board.

■ Under Item 3.1 you can request to address the board following board discussion on a particular topic, or

■ Under Item 8 you are welcome to address the board on any topic.

■ When asking questions or making comments, please state your name and then direct your comments to Mrs. Karen Foyteck, President, Clarkston Board of Education

4. Reports/Presentations

4.1 Student Presentation: Pine Knob students

4.2 Employee Recognition: Linda Nester

4.3 Construction Report: Craig Kahler

4.4 Technology Update: Matt McCarty

4.5 Furniture Report Recommendations: Craig Kahler/Greiner

5. Action Items

5.1 Approval of expenditures for the month: Kurt Shanks

5.2 Acceptance of donations: President Foyteck

5.3 Approval of Administrative/Instructional/Non-Instructional Staff: Linda Nester

5.4 Recommendation to grant teacher tenure: Linda Nester

5.5 Approval of Change Orders: Craig Kahler

6. Discussion Items

6.1 Commercialism, Advertisements and Contracts: Al Roberts

7. Information Items:

8. Citizen Comments:

Citizens are welcome to address the board on any topic at this point on the agenda.

9. Closed session is provided under the Open Meetings Act:

Real Property and Negotiations

10. Adjournment

Note: This agenda is prepared in advance of the meetings; changes may occur.

**Independence Township**  
90 N. Main St.  
Clarkston  
625-5111

**Township Board**

7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 13

**Tentative Agenda**

**Call To Order**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Roll Call**

**Opening Statements and Correspondence**

**Approval of Agenda**

**Minutes of Previous Meeting**

**Approval of Accounts Payable Check Run**

**Approval of Purchase Orders**

**Public Forum**

**New Business**

1. MDOT Annual Work Permit

2. Permission to Hire Young Adult Librarian

3. Employee of the Quarter

4. Permission to Purchase Software Program-Parks & Recreation

5. Permission to Post Laborer-Parks & Recreation

6. Reelassifications: Parks & Recreation

7. Non-Union Wage Adjustment

8. Plante & Moran Engagement Letter

Only those matters that are listed on the agenda are to be considered for action. A majority vote of the board members may add or delete an agenda item.

# Teachers recall student, 13, as 'wonderful girl'

BY CAROLYN WALKER  
STAFF WRITER

Young people and adults, alike, reacted with shock and sadness Tuesday as word spread throughout the Clarkston School District of the sudden death of Sashabaw Middle School student Mary C. Gallentine.



Mary C. Gallentine

Mary, 13, was found dead in her home about 6 a.m. Monday, the first day back to school for pupils following the Christmas holiday.

On Tuesday, SMS Principal John Dileggio sadly commented about the loss of the quiet, artistic eighth grader. "My understanding is that she was a wonderful girl. Very kind and understanding," he said, noting that Mary served as a student aide in the counseling department at the school.

"All of her teachers spoke very highly of her. They were devas-

■ 'All of her teachers spoke very highly of her. They were devastated.'

John Dileggio  
SMS principal

tated," he said.

Dileggio said 30 grief counselors, including 23 who were brought in to assist from outside SMS, came to the school on Tuesday to help the student body through the loss. "It's an ongoing process," he said.

Mary transferred to SMS from Berkley during the sixth grade.

She is the daughter of Ross and Joanne of Independence Township. She is also survived by her sister and best friend, Lisa; grandparents, William and Beverly of Bloomfield Hills; and several aunts, uncles and other family members.

A private family funeral is to be held today at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home on M-15 in Clarkston with Don Kevern officiating. Interment will be at Lakeview Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Sashabaw Middle School's art department.

## OBITUARY

### Ruth L. Harper

Ruth L. Harper of Davisburg died Dec. 30, 1997, at age 92.

Mrs. Harper was a member of Indiana University Alumni Association, Phi Mu Sorority and Young at Heart Senior Citizens

in Davisburg.

She is survived by her husband of 65 years, Earl.

Private funeral arrangements were entrusted to Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home in Clarkston. Memorials may be made to the Salvation Army, P.O. Box 420160, Pontiac 48342-0160.

## NOTABLES

**Paul Ulrich** of Clarkston has been elected chairperson of Kenny Foundation's Board of Trustees. He was also re-elected to an additional three-year term as trustee.

Kenny Foundation is a United Way-supported agency providing services and education to people with disabilities throughout Michigan.

**Kurt P. Miller**, CPA, has joined the firm of RDM Associates in Clarkston as vice presi-

dent, Operations & Business Development. His most recent position was director, Account Management at Sunrise Software Inc. in Charlotte, N.C.

Miller will spearhead expansion of the firm's technology-based solutions for area small businesses.

RDM Associates is a management and tax counseling firm specializing in entrepreneurs and small business owners.

## PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

Oakland Community College is seeking comments from the public about the College in preparation for its periodic evaluation by its regional accrediting agency. The College will undergo a comprehensive evaluation visit April 6-8, 1998, by a team representing the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. Oakland Community College has been accredited by the commission since 1971. The team will review the institution's ongoing ability to meet the Commission's Criteria for Accreditation and General Institutional Requirements.

The public is invited to submit comments regarding the college:

Public Comment on Oakland Community College  
Commission on Institutions of Higher Education  
North Central Association of Colleges and Schools  
30 North LaSalle Street, Suite 2400  
Chicago, IL 60602

Comments must address substantive matters related to the quality of the institution or its academic programs. Comments must be in writing and signed; comments cannot be treated as confidential.

All comments must be received by March 6, 1998

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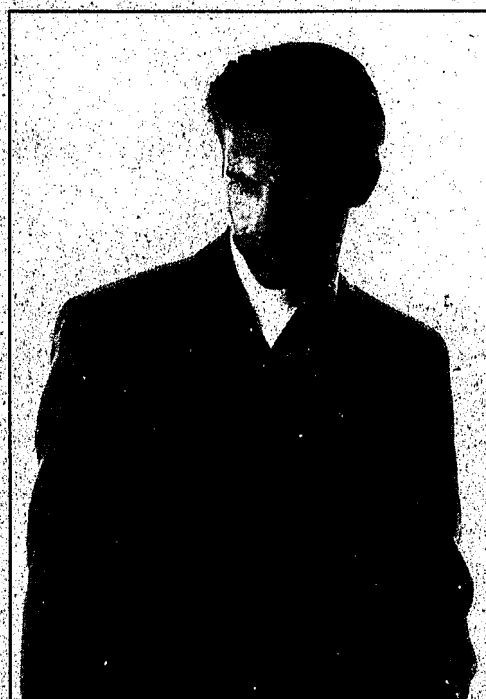
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## Gone fishin'



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**Good catch:** Ice fisherman Steve Boroff (center) hooks a small fish on Mill Pond in downtown Clarkston last week when the ice was still frozen. This week, Boroff and other seafood lovers were better off buying frozen fillets from the grocery store. Warm temperatures made the Mill Pond and other Clarkston-area lakes too dangerous for trespassing. To be considered safe, lake ice should be 10 to 12 inches thick, translucent and bluish in color, according to the Oakland County Sheriff's Department. Temperatures are expected to drop to below normal for January the end of this week.

## New market opens in former Pierre's site

BY CAROLYN WALKER  
STAFF WRITER

A new family-oriented store, called Sashabaw Quality Market, moved into the former site of Pierre's Orchard and Country Market at Clarkston and Sashabaw roads — just in time to ring in the New Year.

Opened for business on Dec. 14, the new market will offer many of the same type of items Pierre Gourand featured at his 30-year-old store as well as some new ones, said Manager Tony Bahri on Wednesday. The store's hours are 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily.

Bahri was especially eager to tell the world that the market will carry Chicago-styled pizza, a double-layered form of stuffed

**■ 'We're going to feature Chicago-styled pizza, which no one in the area has. It's really a fantastic-tasting pizza.'**

Tony Bahri

Sashabaw Quality Market manager

pizza.

"We're going to feature Chicago-styled pizza, which no one in the area has," he said. "It's really a fantastic-tasting pizza."

Other items that will be for sale include cappuccino from a coffee counter, fine beers, fine cigars, soft yogurt and slushes during the summer time, fresh sandwiches, chips, soda pop and grocery items, and salads such as cole slaw and potato salad. An

automatic teller machine will also be available, he said.

"We're going to try to make it something nice," Bahri said, adding that in the summer the market will sell potted flowers, watermelons and the like. "We want a more family-oriented business. We want to establish the reputation of having quality. We're trying really hard."

In addition to its grocery items, the store serves as an

authorized dealer for Ameritech and sells, activates and repairs cellular phones and pagers, along with their accessories.

Bahri said the owners of the building, Mela Development, intend at some point in the future to tear down the building and replace it with a strip mall. When that happens, the market will become a part of the mall and other businesses will be added.

In October, Gourand announced his retirement from the market, which was founded by his parents in 1956.

Gourand had operated a grocery, flower shop and video store from the site.

## Couple starts SIDS support group for north Oakland area

BY JENNIFER PLACINTO  
STAFF WRITER

Lisa and Jerome Larkins don't know why their 7-month-old daughter died — and they probably never will.

"It's something that will never go away," Jerome said. "It'll affect you the rest of your life."

"It always follows you," Lisa said. "Your kids are a part of you."

The White Lake Township couple's infant daughter Faith died of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS), a disease which causes infants under a year of age to die suddenly of unexplained reasons, often in their sleep. SIDS is the leading cause of death among infants, ages 1 month to 12 months, in the United States.

The last time Lisa saw her daughter alive, she was fussing in her crib.

"I offered her a bottle," Lisa said of their third child. "She turned her head and went to sleep."

A couple of hours later, she was dead.

The Larkins experienced the unexplainable March 10, 1995, when doctors at Huron Valley Hospital in Commerce Township told them Faith died of SIDS.

Like many parents in their position, they needed an answer, but couldn't find one. They were directed to support groups for miscarriages and still births, but nothing was helping — until they discovered a SIDS support group at Beaumont Hospital in Troy.

"People around us, they don't know what to say," Lisa said.

"There's so much pain that you can't bear to leave the house and talk to people."

The Larkins found a connection with the group they couldn't make with family and friends.

"The difference (with) SIDS is you have a happy, healthy baby that just doesn't wake up," Lisa said. "People just really can't understand what you're going through."

Today, the Larkins will begin to help other Oakland County families deal with their losses. The couple organized a free SIDS support group which will meet from 7 to 9 p.m. tonight and the second Thursday of every month thereafter at the First Baptist Church of Pontiac, located at 9000 Highland Road in White Lake Township.

"We always wanted to do something to help out," Lisa said. "We decided to have it there because we were attending the church when she died and the support that we received was just tremendous."

The couple went through SIDS support group training and will receive assistance from associate pastor Dennis Henderson, who will help locate speakers.

The Larkins, who are planning to make the group educational as well as supportive, plan to provide the latest research information and feature guest speakers. Day care and transportation will be available, if needed.

■ To learn more about SIDS or SIDS support groups call 1-800-331-7437.

■ For more information on the White Lake support group, call Lisa Larkins at (248) 889-3047.

## CLARIFICATION

The Jan. 1 edition of The Eccentric Newspapers incorrectly reported that James Talley, 35, of Orion Township has a prior conviction and faces a mandatory life in prison sentence if convicted of

pending drug charges.

In fact, Talley has no prior convictions. If convicted of the pending felony charges, he could face a sentence of up to 13 years in prison.

## POLICE NEWS

During the week of Dec. 28-Jan. 5, the following incidents were reported to police and fire agencies in Springfield and Independence townships and the city of Clarkston.

## Clarkston Police

A squirrel who got into a piece of Detroit Edison equipment near Holcomb and Washington Street in downtown Clarkston caused a nearly four-hour power outage for about 500 Clarkston-area electrical customers Tuesday, including businesses on Main Street.

Fire fighters for Independence Township received a call about the outage around 10 a.m. No people were injured, said Fire Chief Gar Wilson, though the new fire station on Citation Drive had to resort to generator power when its blower motor burned, he said.

According to Scott L. Simons, a spokesperson for Detroit Edison, the outage began at 10:05 a.m. and power was restored by 1:40 p.m. Customers were affected in areas south of Washington Street between Deer Lake Road and Dixie Highway on the west and Cherrylawn on the east.

On Jan. 1, officers stopped a vehicle for an equipment violation on Miller Street at Main Street and the driver, who was found to have a suspended license, was cited and released.

On Jan. 2, officers investigated a report that a vehicle had struck a parked vehicle on Main Street and fled the scene. Officers have no information on the responsible vehicle.

On Jan. 2, officers responded to the scene of a deer/vehicle accident. The Waterford man driving the vehicle was not injured. The deer fled the scene.

On Jan. 2, officers responded to the scene of an accident on Main Street at Waldon Road. A Clarkston woman was cited for failure to yield the right of way.

On Jan. 3, officers responded

to the scene of an accident on Main Street where a vehicle driven by a Waterford woman struck a parked vehicle.

## Independence Police

## Vandalism

On Dec. 29, glass panels were broken at Mt. Zion Temple on Maybee Road.

On Jan. 3, four mailboxes were reported damaged on Sunnydale.

On Jan. 2, a rear window was reported damaged on a vehicle parked on Pontiac Trail.

## Thefts

On Dec. 29, money was taken from a purse at a business on Dixie Highway.

On Dec. 30, a cassette player was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Oneida.

On Dec. 30, a radio was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Ranch Estates.

On Dec. 31, a check was reported stolen from a check book at a residence on Fay Street.

On Jan. 2, a wallet was reported stolen from a residence on Ridgewood.

On Jan. 2, a cell phone was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Allen Road.

On Jan. 3, an amplifier was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Boyne Highland.

On Jan. 3, a cell phone was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Snowapple.

On Jan. 4, nutcracker soldiers were reported stolen from a residence on Woodcreek.

On Jan. 3, a cell phone was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Snowapple.

On Jan. 4, a rear window was reported damaged on a vehicle parked on Everest Drive.

## Breaking and Entering

On Jan. 4, a restaurant on Ortonville Road was illegally entered. A police report said that liquor bottles had been moved but it was not immediately known if anything was taken.

## Springfield Police

## Thefts

On Dec. 31, cassette discs and a cassette disc player were reported stolen from a vehicle parked on King Road.

On Dec. 31, a cassette disc player was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Harbortowne.

On Dec. 31, 23, three-and-one-half-foot tall potted spruce trees were reported stolen from Bordine Nursery on Dixie Highway.

On Jan. 2, money was reported stolen from a residence on Holcomb Road.

On Jan. 5, a trailer was reported stolen from a residence on Enterprise Drive.

## Vandalism

On Dec. 29, unknown persons shot a BB through a vehicle window while the vehicle was parked on Bigelow.

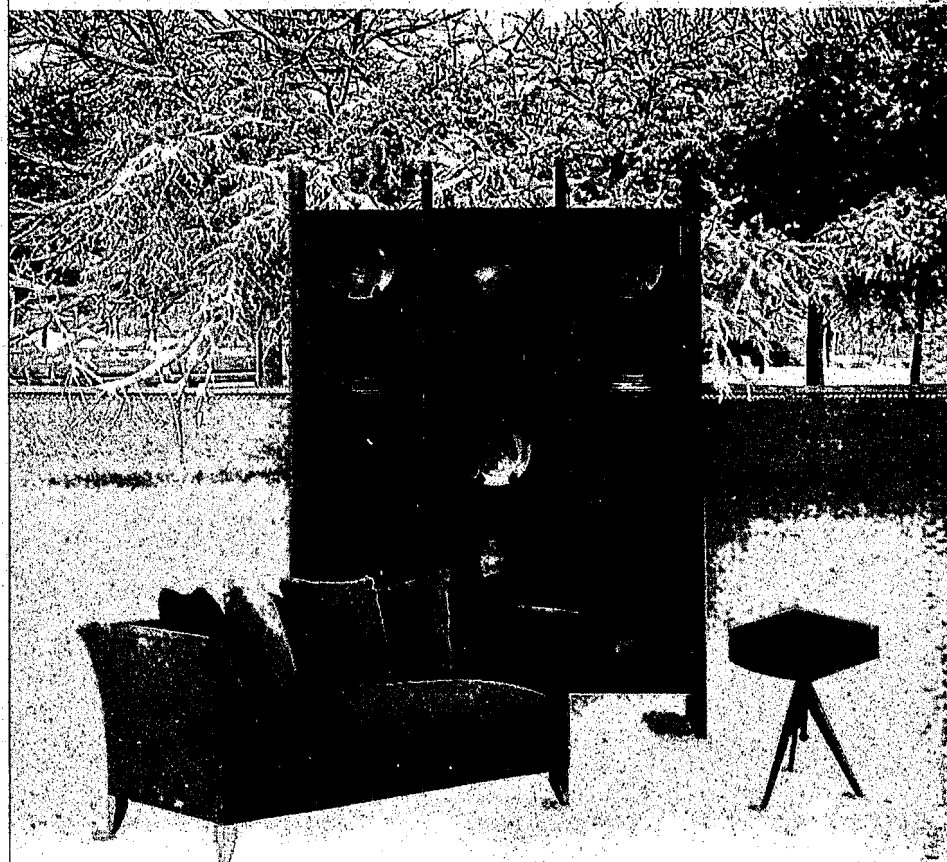
On Dec. 29, unknown persons broke into vehicles at car dealerships on Dixie Highway and Big Lake Road. No vehicles were taken.

On Jan. 2, unknown persons shot a window out of a residence on Bigelow.

## Independence Fire

During the week of Dec. 28-Jan. 5, fire fighters responded to 33 incidents. Among them were 18 medical runs, four carbon monoxide investigations and three personal injury accidents.

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the Friends of the Independence Library at its fifth annual mystery dinner party at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, in the American Legion Hall, 8047 Ortonville Road, Clarkston.

As scripted by Independence Township Librarian Patience Beer, an opening scene filled with recriminations, threats, lies and other merriment culminates in murder. Then after the unfortunate victim is

dragged off stage, the attendees will settle down for a full-course dinner and several rounds of detecting. Each table has a chance to interrogate the suspects and offer their solution to the mystery.

Tickets are \$20 per person (\$14 of which is tax deductible). Tickets can be purchased at Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. Call 625-2212.

## Ski safety from page A1

Knob and at many area resorts. The code details some seven rules for keeping the hills safe. They include: not skiing on closed trails; not stopping on trails where skiers cannot be seen by others who are skiing above them; looking uphill for other skiers when attempting to merge on a trail; and when overtaking a skier, allowing that skier the right of way. In addition, he said, retention devices are required on skis and snowboards to prevent runaway equipment in the event of a fall.

Compared to ski slopes out West, Pine Knob has very few trees, Werner said, while noting that ski lift towers, which are usually padded, and snow guns, used for making artificial snow, can also pose threats to inattentive skiers. Snow guns, he said, are sometimes surrounded by wooden fences to prevent skiers from hitting their metal edges.

Werner said that many resorts deliberately cut trails through trees because skiers enjoy traversing within such elements. "Trees are looked upon as something God put there," he said, explaining why more are not removed.

Increasingly, he said, skiers and snow boarders are turning to helmets, similar to bicycle helmets, for head protection.

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While they are of no use against spinal injuries "they would save some closed-head injuries," he said. Lutz said he advocated the use of helmets, especially, for anyone interested in performing jumps.

"If you're wearing the proper equipment, it will be a safer sport," he said.

In the event of an injury or emergency on a hill, Werner said, a fellow skier should move uphill from the injured person and place skis in an "X" upright in the snow, to warn other skiers that there is an injured person on the slopes. The "X" is recognized widely as a sign of injury and can also be used to attract the assistance of ski patrol members.

At Pine Knob, Werner said, there are 123 members of the ski patrol, managing hills seven days a week on three shifts.

Ski patrollers are certified after extensive training and testing in first aid, outdoor emergency care, cardiopulmonary resuscitation and patrol training that includes improving skiing skills and learning how to transport injured persons off hills in specially constructed toboggans.

Patrollers are also trained in ways to remove skiers stranded on ski lifts that can be as high as 35 feet off the ground at Pine Knob.

"Their main purpose is to promote safety over the sport of skiing," Werner said.

While Kennedy died during a game of ski-football and attempting to film it with a video recorder at the same time, Werner said Pine Knob officials do not have any specific rules against games of catch or tag on their hills.

According to the director's memory, there has only been one ski fatality at Pine Knob in the past two decades. That death involved a child who lost control of his skis and slid into a structure resulting in a head injury.

## Water park from page A1

attorney.

His comments were confirmed by Springfield's attorney Greg Need, who said, "We're still in the limbo position we've been in for several months."

As of Monday, the PUD plans were awaiting review in the offices of township planner Dick Carlisle, who said it's too soon for him to comment on the matter. Typically, the planner reviews plans before they are sent through the planning process.

Need and Springfield Clerk Nancy Strole said the township would review the PUD plans the same as it would those of any developer.

"Like any property owner, they certainly have the right to apply to the township," Need said.

"We're handling this just like we do any other," said Strole.

Indian Springs is located southwest of Big Lake and Andersonville roads and encompasses the 245-acre Timberland Sanctuary. Over the past year,

Springfield officials have struggled with the concept, contending that it could harm the rural area surrounding the 2,250-acre park.

The HCMA, a five-county-wide body created in 1939, has long contended that it is exempt from community zoning rules. Representatives have said that a water facility is necessary at the park because there are no beaches nearby.

In the past, the HCMA has projected that as many as 300,000 people could visit the water park over a 100-day period.

## Lighthouse from page A1

know that there are a number of services available through the agency that go beyond providing food and clothing to those in need.

Edwards, who was just getting comfortable with her new surroundings last week, wants people who live beyond the boundaries of Independence Township, in places like Lake Orion and Oxford, to realize that Lighthouse is there for them, too.

"I have lots of plans and goals

for this branch," she said last week from her cozy office in the church on Sashabaw Road.

The Clarkston branch works in cooperation with Lighthouse of Oakland County, founded in 1972 and located in Pontiac, to bring not only life staples but utility assistance, emergency medical treatment, emergency rent assistance, transitional housing and transportation to its clients.

"A lot of people here think its

only food and clothing. It's more than that," she said.

Edwards noted that poverty, traditionally perceived as an inner-city problem associated with welfare, extends into rural, and even well-to-do areas, too, as a byproduct of domestic violence, sudden illnesses and job loss.

"It is a misnomer that there isn't poverty in the outside areas. There is," she said. "In this agency where we can help so many individuals... I would like to communicate to the community that those services are available."

Edwards, 39, came to the Lighthouse organization as an intern from Oakland University in early 1997. She worked as a case manager for the SAFE program, providing assistance to and helping find homes for homeless individuals.

Successful at finding housing for some of them, she said, "For that reason, alone, I'm grateful. We helped quite a few individuals get through the system."

Originally hoping to enter the

field of counseling, Edwards found that working with Lighthouse helped her meet her career and personal goals while she helped others.

"I just became very involved with the needs of the community and enjoyed being able to help. I was very interested in this job because I was going to put back into the community where I live," she said.

Edwards, with her husband and children, has been an Independence Township resident for 10 years.

Edwards said she is proud of the Clarkston area because of its commitment to volunteerism, but hopes she will be able to lure more volunteers from neighboring communities.

"Volunteers are what make Lighthouse what it is," she said. "Without volunteers we could never do what we do. They're wonderful."

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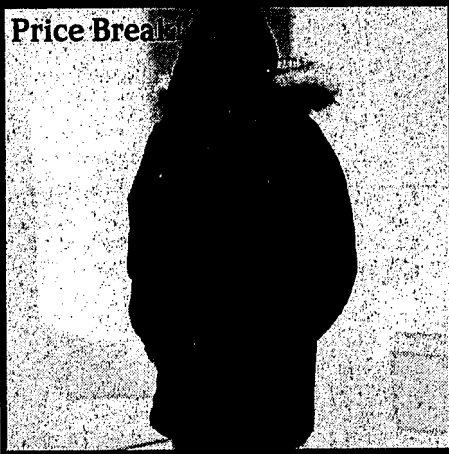
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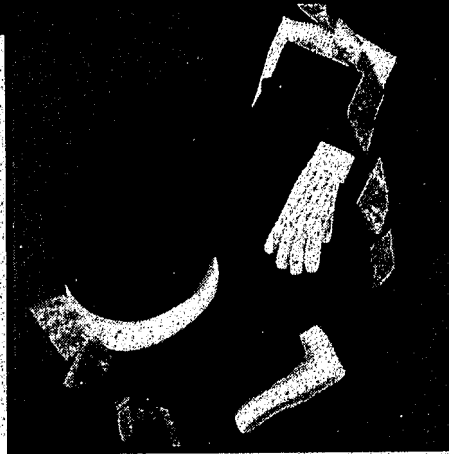
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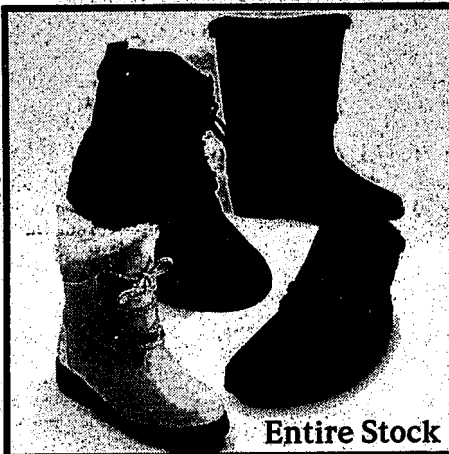
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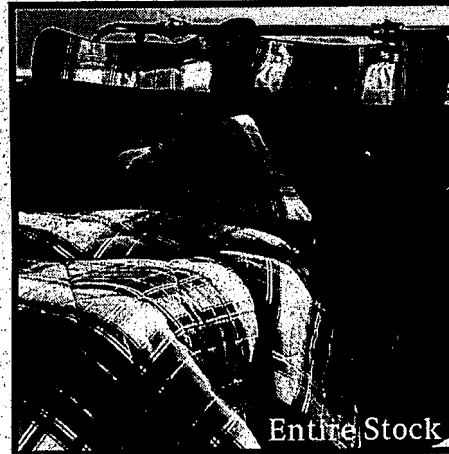
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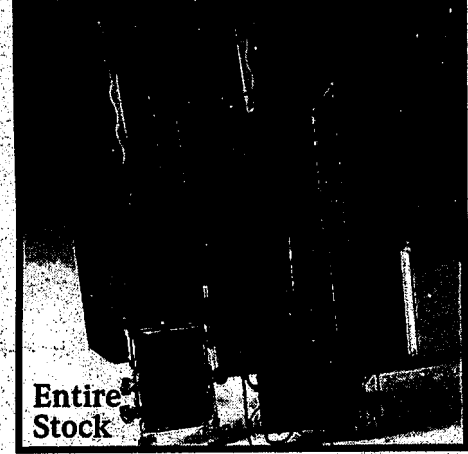
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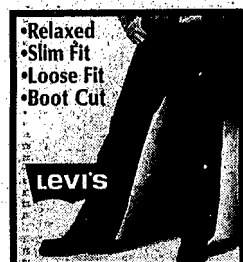
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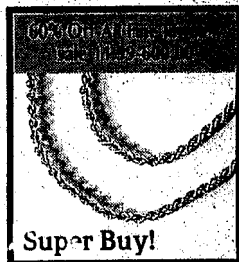
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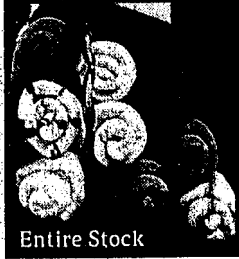
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## Drug education Having cops teach class is wise

**C**larkston Schools recently did away with the popular D.A.R.E. program, opting instead to have its own health teachers teach kids about substance abuse.

In the D.A.R.E. program, which stands for Drug Abuse Resistance Education, an Oakland County Sheriff's Department deputy taught students about the dangers of alcohol and drugs.

At the end of the program, students had a graduation party where they each received a black and red D.A.R.E. T-shirt and pledged to their parents that they would remain drug-free.

Apparently, concerns over the cost, effectiveness and availability of a police officer to teach the D.A.R.E. curriculum prompted school officials to drop it.

Now, health teachers will teach a new district-devised program called W.I.S.E., an acronym for Winning In Substance Education. According to one health teacher, the W.I.S.E. curriculum will be similar to the D.A.R.E. program in many ways. For example, the W.I.S.E. curriculum will also include a graduation program and school officials intend to use police officers as "co-teachers" for certain lessons.

We hope school officials include police officers in the instruction of the W.I.S.E. curriculum in a way that is more than just a passing tribute to the outgoing D.A.R.E. program.

Our concern is that students may tune out

**■ Our concern is that students may tune out civilian-clothed teachers and regard the lessons as just another subject in the course of a school day.**

civilian-clothed teachers and regard the lessons as just another subject in the course of a school day.

Police officers, in our opinion, have several advantages over teachers in presenting information about tobacco, alcohol and illegal drugs to youngsters.

For example:

■ As uniformed representatives of law enforcement agencies, they command respect.

■ They can speak firsthand about how police make drug arrests and what it's really like on the streets.

■ They build a positive relationship between police and community.

■ They investigate and follow-up with the courts any leads they get on someone using or selling illegal drugs.

We understand the reasoning behind school officials' decision to substitute W.I.S.E. for D.A.R.E.

We just hope that school officials can incorporate the best part of D.A.R.E. into the W.I.S.E. program in a vital and meaningful way.

## Prison not always an answer

**M**ichigan's prisons are like Pac-Man in the video game, which incessantly consumes other creatures.

Under the last two governors, the Corrections Department has quintupled its budget to \$1.3 billion. Now, with its prisons overflowing at the 40,000 mark, Michigan is exporting prisoners to other states. State officials talk of building five more prisons that will cost \$18,000 to \$40,000 per inmate to run.

So what has been the Legislature's response? No one proposes more taxes to pay for new prisons. Instead, lawmakers sit up at night around the kitchen table inventing new crimes and longer punishments, to warehouse more offenders for ever-longer periods of time.

The most recent entry came during the holidays when public service ads targeted drunk drivers. Rep. Andrew Raczowski, R-Farmington Hills, didn't even have a bill in draft form before he announced he would seek doubled penalties for drunk drivers with kids in the vehicle.

If assaulting anyone is bad, say legislators, then there should be a separate crime for assaulting a Corrections officer.

Rep. Penny Crissman, R-Rochester, also has two bills to allow garnishment and attachment of the institutional accounts of jail prisoners and Corrections inmates.

The most common term in legislative news releases isn't "efficiency" or "taxpayers" or "kids" but "tough new laws."

Consider a state Senate news release:

■ "Tough law against those who prey on victims by impersonating utility workers," sponsored by Sen. Loren Bennett, R-Canton, signed by Gov. John Engler.

■ "Sentencing guidelines," generally higher — Sen. William VanRegenmorter, R-Jenison, passed by the Senate.

■ "Expanded truth-in-sentencing, requires all convicted felons to serve at least their minimum sentences; no reduction in minimums for 'good behavior'; longer stays for bad behavior" — VanRegenmorter; passed Senate.

■ "Andre's law — provides option of capital

punishment for a person convicted of raping and killing a child" — constitutional amendment proposed by Sen. Joel Gougeon, R-Bay City; no Senate action.

■ Ban on assisted suicide — VanRegenmorter; passed Senate.

A big game in Lansing should be called Crime of the Month. The idea is to create special categories within a crime for special classes of victims. It's like the Old World caste system where you get two years for hitting a perceived nobleman and one year for a peasant.

It started with the 1967 Detroit riots when lawmakers proposed the death penalty for killing police and firefighters. The next step was a special category called "ethnic hate" crimes, where punishment would be enhanced if you attacked someone from another ethnic group.

In recent years there have been bills to enhance punishments for whacking senior citizens, then for carjacking, then one prohibiting parole for a carjacker, then for hurting pregnant women, then for more adult trials (and prison sentences) for minors.

This year, senators produced bills for extra punishments for assaulting a teacher.

Moving traffic violations are bad, but they get enhanced fines if you speed in a highway construction zone.

Rep. (now Sen.) David Jaye, R-Macomb, is seeking chemical castration of sex offenders as a condition of parole.

Most of the bills amount to pandering to public fears. Nearly all would crowd prisons even more. Absolutely all would take state money (after 24 tax cuts since 1991) away from colleges, schools, natural resources, safety inspections, health care and adoptions.

There's no end. Don't be taken in by a "tough new laws" slogan aimed at your interest group. Talk is cheap. Lawmakers need to dream up more responsible ways to deal with criminals, and that means attacking the socio-economic roots of crime.

### COMMUNITY VOICE

#### QUESTION:

What is your ideal winter vacation?

This question was asked at the Clarkston Post Office.



"We just came back — skiing at Sugarloaf Mountain."  
**Ted Pierce**  
Independence Township



"Sleeping."  
**Jenny DuPree**  
Springfield Township



"Out of Michigan."  
**Hugh Smith**  
Independence Township



"Going to Disney World."  
**Brenda Vanderheyden**  
Independence Township

### LETTERS

#### Mandela undeserving

**W**innie Mandela maintains that she and her football gang were not responsible for any of the many beatings and murders in the Soweto township during the 1980s. Earlier, Winnie Mandela was convicted and sentenced for the beatings of four youths.

Members of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission expected Mandela to come clean after her conviction, admit to a few beatings and a reign of terror at least. Witness after witness has testified that Mandela and her Mandela United Football Club entourage beat and terrorized blacks for years, killing some. Maybe we should ask Nelson Mandela, who fled Winnie as though she had the plague about her miscreant behavior.

Feminists in the U.S. recently regaled and honored Winnie Mandela at several venues. The collectivist behavior of the Yards and the Irelands has been disgusting enough without the leftist feminists applauding a foreign socialist.

**Neil Goodbred**  
Livonia

#### Senator cares about needy

**O**n behalf of the Baldwin Church and Center, I would like to thank Senator Michael Bouchard and his staff for organizing the "Coats for the Cold" clothing drive. Each year Senator Bouchard collects and donates new and used coats to the Baldwin Center. This year, over 500 disadvantaged men, women and children will be warmer during this winter season thanks to Senator Bouchard! We are truly fortunate to have civic leaders who care about the needy people who live in Pontiac.

**Suzanne Chandler**  
Development Director  
Baldwin Church & Center

#### Test a waste of students' time

**R**ecent amendments to revise the High School Proficiency Test (HSPT) are an improvement, but still do not correct major problems. Although the amendments will change the test date from February of the junior year to May or June and remove the controversial labels, the test is still viewed as a waste of time and unimportant to college-bound students.

Most 11th graders have enough to worry about, including standardized tests (ACT, SAT, AP), finals and applying to colleges. The fact that the test is not required for admission to college makes it a waste of time and effort. The second half of the junior year can be very stressful.

I commend Sen. Mike Bouchard for voting

no on the changes. Like most students and parents, Senator Bouchard thinks the test should be dropped altogether. The state should consider making all students take the SAT, ACT or similar tests as a way to measure student proficiency. Students can use these test scores to send to the colleges of their choices. Besides, it will probably save money.

**Austin Black**  
Seaholm High School

#### Boycott racial classifications

**I**s your racial classification government approved?

Many Americans don't know that the United States government has five "official" racial classifications, which appear on census forms and hundreds of other government documents. They are White, Black, American Indian/Eskimo, Asian/Pacific Islander and Hispanic.

Millions of Americans support abolishing these classifications. According to a 1995 Newsweek poll, nearly half of all blacks (48 percent) wanted the Census Bureau to stop collecting data on race, as did 47 percent of whites.

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We are all Americans — what else does the government need to know?

**Don Eichstaedt**  
Lathrup Village

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## POINTS OF VIEW

## Most sweepstake entrants won't gamble on not buying

Lotteries are illegal both in the state of Michigan and the United States unless they are authorized by law.

Michigan voters amended their constitution to permit a state lottery to benefit schools, although the schools weren't the real beneficiaries at first, because the legislature appropriated less money for education from the general fund.

Since Proposal A passed, this has been corrected.

When Michigan started their lottery, they couldn't use the mail because of federal regulations. After several states started lotteries, Congress exempted states from the lottery prohibition.

Legally, a lottery is a contest that includes a "prize," the winner is determined by "chance" and there is "consideration" to the sponsor.

If one of these elements is missing, it is not an illegal lottery.

Sponsors of contests usually try to get around the lottery law by adding an element of skill to replace "chance," like counting the number of nails in a glass house, or put in the rules that "no purchase is necessary" to avoid "consideration."

If you watch television or check your mailbox, January could be your month.

Two magazine sales companies are having their annual sweepstakes with prizes of \$10 million and \$11 million.

Although the odds are probably worse than the Michigan Lotto, it doesn't cost you anything to enter.

But, the hype is unbelievable.

My wife received a message that if she wasn't going to be home on Super Bowl Sunday, she should call a certain number to tell them where she

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HANK HOGAN

would be so the prize patrol wouldn't miss her.

My problem with one of these annual sweepstakes is the interpretation of "consideration."

Two old war horses from the past — Dick Clark, whom I remember as having a TV show when I was a teenager, which was a long time ago, and Ed

McMahon from the Johnny Carson show, which has been deceased for a couple of years — are touting the benefits of sending in your sweepstake entry.

The problem is, if you don't order magazines, you have to write out something on a 3 by 5 card and mail it to an address that is different from the one you would send it to, if you ordered a magazine.

Now I don't know about you, but when I see that non-orders are going to a different address, I visualize a great big garbage can waiting for my entry.

I know by law they can't do this, but it does intimidate you into thinking seriously about placing an order so it goes to the winner's desk.

Their lawyers have probably figured out a fine line as to what is legal or not legal, but making people do some-

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thing different that requires an effort on their part comes very close to "consideration."

That visualization of the great big garbage can spoils my fantasy of being the next big winner from Clarkson.

Hank Hogan, former publisher of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, lives in Independence Township. He works as a Realtor on Main Street in downtown Clarkson.

## 'Real' people with timeless values top my 'best of' list

At this time of year magazines, television programs and other media send out their "best of" lists.

For example, Esquire revealed its Best 100 People in the World, People acknowledged their 25 most intriguing people and Ladies' Home Journal listed their most fascinating women of 1997.

Who is the judge of these lists? Do the editors pick and choose, or do people vote? I know the people didn't vote because everyone has their own opinion. Esquire listed such people as Rosa Parks and Jack Kevoorkian. People liked Leonardo DiCaprio and Elton John. The Ladies' Home Journal liked Princess Diana and Ellen Degeneres. Some may agree with Princess Di, but Jack "Dr. Death" Kevoorkian?

I have my own list to offer, as I'm sure you do. Most of the people on my

list are unknown to the world. How about that overworked teacher who stays an extra hour after school to help a struggling student, or the pharmacist who works at the 24-hour drug store at 3 o'clock in the morning? And the people who work at the return counter after Christmas? What about the woman who lets that last person go through her check-out line even though her shift ended 15 minutes ago?

The best, most intriguing, fascinating people are those who can brighten your day, sometimes without saying a word. Jennifer Arremony is one of those people. She is in one of my classes in school and she never ceases to amaze me. Every day she walks around with a smile. She knows everyone's name and acknowledges them with a smile and greeting. When she gives a compliment, it makes you feel good all day because you can see



KRISTIN FRENCH

her sincerity. She would be on my list along with my Aunt Mildred.

Every year on my birthday Aunt Mildred has sent me a card. She has tons of nieces and nephews and she does it with all of them. Every birthday has been brighter because of that one card, knowing that she took the time all these years to send a card to each and every one of her family members.

More people on my list are the peo-

ple behind the scenes. All of the producers of the television shows we watch, or the disc jockeys who play the music on our favorite radio stations. Also, ambulance drivers, soldiers of the Persian Gulf War and fire fighters who go out of their way to get a cat out of a tree.

I would also have to add the late-night workers of Taco Bell, church volunteers and people who hold the door for you not because you have your hands full but out of the goodness in their heart. Along with people who let you in front of them in a traffic jam, I would add those who prepare candle-lit dinners for their significant other.

This would be just the beginning of my list. Mine will be the same forever with only a few add-ons as time passes. The more prominent lists will change with the spotlight. While they showcase momentary fame, my list

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requires timeless values that relate to real people.

Kristin French is a student at Clarkson High School. Her column alternates with a column written by Clarkson Community Schools Superintendent Al Roberts.

## Voucher leader softens stance

Paul DeWeese has changed his tune about amending the Michigan Constitution to allow vouchers and parochial aid.

The 42-year-old Williamston physician had been expected to use his Teach Michigan fund to seek a 1998 ballot proposal overturning the 1970 no-parochial aid amendment. His old literature sniffed at public education.

Detroit author Russ Bellant, in his 1994 book "The Religious Right in Michigan Politics," gives DeWeese a full page and lumps him with Dick and Betsy DeVos, Clark Durant, Sen. Dick Posthumus, and Michigan Family Forum.

"It's really not anywhere," DeWeese said of the parochial-voucher drive in a recent interview. "There is a group of parents and people in Detroit who'd like to have an organized group run with it. I don't see that happening. I'm not active in that."

Instead:

■ Teach Michigan, based in Lansing, is "creating a parent information network" to "help parents be consumers of quality education services." Its tools will be an interactive Internet site and a magazine. Headquartered in Lansing, Teach Michigan has a staff of four led by Brian Taylor and up to \$1.5 million for a budget.

■ DeWeese is campaigning 30 hours a week for the GOP nomination to succeed the term-limited Rep. Dan Gustafson, R-Williamston, in the 67th House District. It covers eastern Ingham County and eastern Livingston County to Howell.

His Democratic opponent is likely to be former Rep. Bill Keith, who served 20 years in the Garden City district before retiring to Ingham County in 1994. Keith's issue is that he's for public schools, DeWeese against.

Once a champion of charter schools, DeWeese still admires their sense of "reform and vigor." But he says "many lack business capability and don't understand the difficulty and complexity" of running schools with public money. "Some will close, some should be closed, and some will excel." And: "I'm not an unrestrained, applauding cheerleader for PSAs" (public school academies, the formal name of charter schools).

His own three children attend St. Thomas School in East Lansing but "may want to go to Williamston High School."

Raised in Grand Haven, DeWeese earned his bachelor's degree at Hope College and his M.D. at Wayne State University. He works in the emergency rooms of Owosso Memorial Medical Center and Eaton Rapids Community Hospital.

He calls himself "a moderate conservative Republican" and is paying his civic dues on the Michigan Municipal Bond Authority, Crime Victims Compensation Commission and Habitat for Humanity. He's most comfortable around policy-oriented Republicans like ex-Speaker Paul Hil-



TIM RICHARD

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legions, minority leader Ken Sikkema and Sen. Mike Rogers of Brighton.

If elected — and the district has been 70 percent Republican — DeWeese won't opt for the policy-making House Education Committee. Rather, he will ask for Health Policy, Corrections and Economic Development because:

"We need a coalition to work on health insurance for the working uninsured; 800,000 people don't have insurance. . .

"We can't build enough prisons (to house all the people being sentenced). Prisons are the Pac-Man of state government. . . We need to be more aggressive at preserving prisons for the violent." He'd look at community service, tethering and public works as alternatives. He'd pay wages to prisoners so they could compensate their victims, support their families and build up nest eggs for their release.

"When I talk to business people, there seems to be an overreaching, arbitrary, capricious over regulation (by government)."

DeWeese, unlike John Engler and Brooks Patterson, is conversant with the issue of urban sprawl, the megalopolitan paving over of farmland. He thinks it's bad.

Parochial aid is off the front burner as Paul DeWeese edges toward the political center.

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# Federal judge to rule on state term limits

By TIM RICHARD  
STAFF WRITER

U.S. District Judge Patrick Duggan has at least one precedent to follow when he decides the validity of Michigan's state term limits.

A U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals panel in San Francisco decided Dec. 19 that California's even tougher term limits don't violate the U.S. Constitution.

The 9th circuit, sitting *en banc*, rejected 9-2 the claim of Assemblyman Tom Bates that term limits violated his constitutional rights and were unfair to voters who wanted to choose their own leaders.

California's and Michigan's term limit rules rank Nos. 1 and 2, respectively, in restrictiveness, says Bill Ballenger, proprietor of Inside Michigan Politics newsletter. The differences:

■ California allows one to serve three Assembly terms of two years (total six years) or two Senate terms of four years each.

■ Michigan's rule is three House terms and two Senate terms, a total of 14 years.

Both contain lifetime bans on further service in the Legislature.

Duggan, a federal judge for 11 years and Livonia resident, on Oct. 29 denied the plaintiffs' request for a preliminary injunction to block term limits until the court case is finally settled.

Plaintiffs are Wayne State University law professors John Mogk and Robert Sedler. "We would have preferred to have the 9th Circuit see it our way as a severe limitation on the right to vote," said Mogk. "But it is not the final word. I'm sure this case will go to the (U.S.) Supreme Court."

Arguing for the state is assistant attorney general Gary Gordon.

The case has political overtones. Term limits generally have been favored by conservatives. They contend a turnover in office is necessary to keep a fresh, citizen-oriented outlook among lawmakers.

Patrick Anderson, conservative economist and former chair of the 11th Congressional District GOP organization, heads the Term Limits Defense Committee. He said the California decision "dramatically strengthens our case because now there's no court in the country that is holding term limits unconstitutional."

Motions and briefs were to have been submitted to Duggan by Dec. 29. Court clerk Marilyn Oren said it's up to Duggan to decide if there will be oral arguments.

Judicial canons of ethics require a judge to abstain from public comment about a pending proceeding. A clue to Duggan's thinking may come from a 1986 Livonia Observer interview in which he was quoted as saying:

"I believe in judicial restraint. You shouldn't be too quick to issue injunctions."

"Courts should move slowly and cautiously in getting involved with matters. There are many problems that exist

that should be resolved in forums other than the courts."

As written, Michigan's term limits amendment applies in 1998 to state representatives elected in 1992. The clock didn't begin running on Gov. John Engler, Secretary of State Candice Miller, Attorney General Frank Kelley and the 38 state senators until 1994. Their official second terms don't expire until 2002.

Term limits will affect 65 state officials this year, including Rep. Penny Chissman, R-Rochester, who also represents Orion, Oxford and Addison, and Rep. Tom Middleton, R-Ortonville, who also represents the city of Clarkston, Springfield, and Independence townships.

Voters in 1992 approved the term limits amendment to the constitution 2.3 million to 1.6 million.

As written, it also covered members of the U.S. Congress. Federal courts, however, ruled that section violated the U.S. Constitution.

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KAREN HERMES-SMITH

## Ailing aunt would have turned away 'help' from Dr. K

Every now and then I am reminded of my great aunt Eleanor. I think of her at Christmas time when Christmas cards start arriving in my mailbox.

And I thought of her last week when I covered Jack Kevorkian's New Year's Eve press conference, where he announced his latest tactic in his quest to make assisted suicide a legally-sanctioned "right" for those who, because of health or emotional problems, no longer have a quality life.

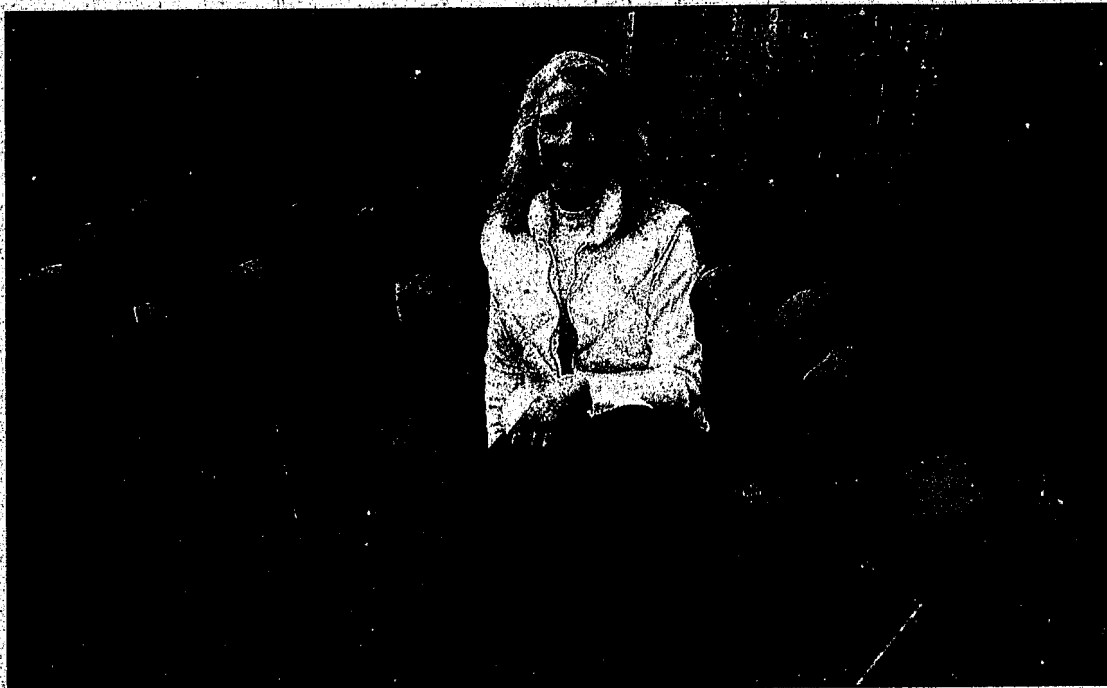
Aunt Eleanor was married to a carpenter who was often between jobs, especially during the Great Depression. They had two daughters and sometimes moved in with relatives in order to have a roof over their heads. Had it not been for the generosity of relatives, the family surely would have been homeless.

By worldly standards, Aunt Eleanor could have been considered poor. But in matters of faith, she was rich — one of the richest people I have known.

I remember that every Christmas card she sent me contained a handwritten passage from Scripture or a postscript wishing me God's blessings. Next to her signature, which became increasingly shaky as she aged, she always drew a small cross.

In fact, every correspondence I ever

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STAFF PHOTO BY STEVE CANTRELL

**Flamingo flock:** Clarkston Mayor Sharron Catallo sits among a flock of pink flamingos she found in her yard Monday after Junior Optimists from Clarkston Middle School visited her home.

## Junior Optimists flock to fight hunger

Better keep an eye on your yard and a stash of canned goods in your pantry. The Junior Optimists of Clarkston Middle School are "flocking" the homes of Clarkston-area residents during the month of January as a fund-raiser for Clarkston Lighthouse.

The young Optimists positioned pink flamingos in the yards of Clarkston Mayor Sharron Catallo and Independence Township Supervisor Dale Stuart after school on Monday.

Accompanying the Florida birds were notes saying, "The purpose of this event is to collect cans of food for Lighthouse North. Please have your donations of cans of food on your porch

tomorrow so that the flock can move on. No cans? A check would be accepted and appreciated."

The group of about 20 students intends to "flock" two homes a day Monday through Friday through the rest of the month. Monday's flockings at the Stuart and Catallo homes were their first.

Independence Township Clerk Joan McCrary, who helps advise the student group, said the idea was hatched by Don Brose, Junior Optimists coordinator, who heard about the feather-brained fund-raiser at a Junior Optimists convention.

Brose, who was in Florida, bought 24

pink flamingos while he was there. He and the birds flew back to Michigan together.

The CMS Junior Optimists picked January for their food drive because food pantries typically are depleted following the holidays.

Catallo, reached by telephone Tuesday at her home, called the fund-raiser a "very clever idea."

The mayor said she was surprised to come home and see the flamingos in her yard. "You don't ever expect to see pink flamingos (in Michigan in January)," she said. "But with the warm weather we've been having, they could have flown in."

## Learn-to-ski programs set for local park

Beginners can learn the basics of cross-country skiing at Learn to Ski Days in January at Independence Oaks County Park.

On Jan. 10 and 31, the 1-4 p.m. event will include ski demonstrations and lessons, open skiing, ice skating, door prizes and more.

"It's a great opportunity to learn how to cross-country ski properly, try something new and enjoy nature," recreation supervisor Jim Dunleavy said.

Additionally, Crooked Lake ice fishing contests will occur 8 a.m. to noon both days.

Learn to Ski Days is sponsored by Play It Again Sports and Independence Township Park and Recreation. The cost is \$3 per person, \$9 per person with ski rental.

A staple of the Oakland County Parks winter schedule is the Observer & Eccentric Ski School Jan. 18, Feb. 7 and 15 at Independence Oaks.

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Sessions are 10 a.m. - noon and 1:30 - 3:30 p.m. The cost is \$7 per lesson and \$13 per lesson with ski rental. Clinics are sponsored by the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

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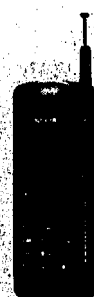
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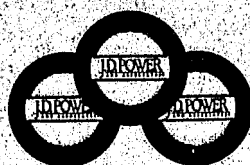
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## ENGAGEMENT



Sheppard-Decius

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Sheppard Jr. of Clarkston announce the engagement of their daughter, Cristina Lynn, to Scott A. Decius, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Decius of DeWitt. The wedding is planned for February 1998 at St. Joseph's Church in Lake Orion.

Sheppard, a graduate of Clarkston High School, has a bachelor's degree in public relations from Western Michigan University. She works at the American Heart Association-Michigan Affiliate in Southfield as the Metro Detroit Heart Walk manager.

Decius, a graduate of Western Michigan University and University of Detroit Mercy Law School, is an associate attorney at Fieger, Fieger and Schwartz, P.C., in Southfield.

## ACADEMIC ACHIEVERS

Jill A. Attaman of Clarkston was among six Western Michigan University students selected to receive \$500 Research and Creative Activities Awards presented by the College of Arts and Sciences. She is a junior majoring in biomedical sciences. She and Dr. John Jellies, associate professor of biological sciences, are studying "In Vitro Investigation of Heart-Derived Signals in Hirudo Medicinalis."

Faith Lysogorski, Paul Lepping, Jeff d'Argy and Joe Millard, students at Oakland Technical Center, Northwest campus, in Clarkston recently were awarded a Silver Emblem in the National FAA Nursery/Landscape event in Kansas City.

Besides the group award, Lysogorski received a Gold Emblem medal award, d'Argy a Silver Emblem, and Lepping a Bronze Emblem.

The National FFA Nursery/Landscape event tests students' knowledge and skills in a general knowledge exam covering plant anatomy, growing media and landscape design and maintenance. Other components include a landscape practicum involving a landscape plan, plant propagation and identification of plant disorders. Each of the 42 teams participating in the event competed with chapters in their state for the privilege of participating in the national event.

FFA is a national organization of 449,814 members preparing for careers in the science, business and technology of agriculture. The organization has 7,421

local chapters.

Degree candidates for Clarkston for fall semester 1997 at Michigan State University in East Lansing are: Steven Duman Baumgartner, BA, general business administration; Jennifer Ann Curd, BS, parks, recreation and tourism; Jessica Ann Hebert, BA, communication; David Michael Muczynski, MA, curriculum and teaching; Brenda Ann Schlatterbeck, BS, packaging; Brian David Trebilcock, BS, packaging; Kara Kathleen Wilkinson, BA, communication; and Eric Christopher Woodward, BA, economics.

Degree candidates for Davisburg for fall semester 1997 at Michigan State University in East Lansing are: Melissa Sloan Gedraitis, MS, mechanics; Daniel Mark Reed, BA, professional accounting, high honors, and MBA professional accounting.

The following students from Clarkston received scholarships from Walsh College in Troy: Judith Hardy, Presidential Scholarship; Rena LaCroix, Walsh College Scholarship; Sara Lajovic, Walsh College Scholarship; Marina Mantovani, Frank and Helen Gofrank Scholarship; Kenneth Septer, Walsh College Scholarship; and Brant Wright, Walsh College Scholarship.

The following student from Davisburg also received a scholarship: Rosalind Robinson, Walsh College Minority Scholarship.

Students who qualify for a Presidential or a General Walsh College scholarship, based solely on merit, must maintain a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 3.5 or better. Other scholarships are also based on merit or a combination of merit and need.

Hossein Nikoui of Clarkston was awarded the Frank E. and Bessie Angileri Quality Award during the 13th annual honors convocation at Madonna University's School of Business. Nikoui is a master's student in quality and operations management. The quality award is given to a student, full or part-time connected with the U.S. Automotive Industry, pursuing a master's degree in quality and operations management. The student must have demonstrated a significant contribution to quality improvements in the U.S. Automotive Industry and maintain a 3.25 GPA.

# Young lives, young loves were the casualties of Vietnam War

I waited until one evening when I was alone in the office before I looked at the Michigan Vietnam War casualty list that Barry Bomier gave me.

I found the list sitting on my desk and awaiting my arrival one day when I was writing a story about our state's forthcoming monument to that war's veterans. I picked it up and weighed its seven pages — and its 259 names — in my hand and then I tossed it into a drawer, preferring to read it some other time when I felt emotionally prepared.

That time came weeks later as I was rummaging for some notebook or another and I happened across the list — having forgotten that I had placed it there.

I pulled it out of the drawer and read a message Bomier had written in his beautiful, swirling penmanship: "Carolyn, this is the Vietnam KIA list for Oakland County" and then I went down the list to where it said "Oakland" and I read the names and the tender ages and the dates: 12/21/68, age 19, a Davisburg boy died just before Christmas; 9/25/68, age 21, a Southfield man died on my 18th birthday.

I caught my breath and I held it tight while I read through all 259, praying these many years later — 28 since I saw him leave for the Air Force — that I wouldn't find T.S.'s initials there.

A tall, thin young man in a band uniform with reddish blond hair and a French horn in his hands, the memory of him still makes my heart race.

And so my heart raced back through time as I poured over the names, afraid of what I might see.

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They don't make much out of "first kisses" these days. Nothing like they used to. I guess our society has become too permissive for a milestone such as that



CAROLYN WALKER

Technically, T.S. didn't give me my first kiss. That privilege fell to the ubiquitous 6-year-old Chuckie Fisher, who chased me in circles around my parent's backyard one fall day before he finally caught me, winded, to plant a big wet kiss on my lips.

to amount to much, anymore.

But things were different in the early 1960s, just before the dawn of "free love." Back then, a first kiss was something to savor — at least for some of us — especially if it came with infatuation, romance, anticipation and love.

Technically, T.S. didn't give me my first kiss. That privilege fell to the ubiquitous 6-year-old Chuckie Fisher, who chased me in circles around my parent's backyard one fall day before he finally caught me, winded, to plant a big wet kiss on my lips. I remember that the grass was still green at that time of year and the sky was gray and Chuckie was much too eager.

I don't think I was a first for Chuckie Fisher.

I probably wasn't a first for T.S. either, but things were much different with him.

Quite frankly, I had idolized him from a distance for one full school year before he swept me, finally, into his arms under a tuft of mistletoe one Christmas. I remember the details — the colors of the band room, the rush of excitement — but I don't need to write about them here.

They are every bit as delicious and wonderful as what you, yourself, remember.

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According to the killed-in-action list provided by Bomier, the Oakland County men who gave their lives in Vietnam ranged in age from 18 to 48. Most of them were between ages 19 and 23, or so.

I remember, as I told Bomier during our interview, when 18, 19 and 20 seemed like the very manifestation of responsible adulthood.

I realize now, from the vantage point of middle age, that we sent children to fight that war.

Holding the list in my hands, I watch the papers quiver ever so slightly keeping time with my racing pulse and I run down the names of dozens of young men who, no doubt, could once set hearts afire. I then read it a second time to make sure T.S. really isn't there.

"Thank you, Lord," I say to the quiet of the office and I am surprised as tears of relief well up in my eyes after all these years of wondering what became of him.

I brush my eyes with the back of my hand and realize, almost as an afterthought that somewhat shames me, that there is no Charles Fisher on the list, either.

A smile comes, at last, as I toy with the notion that Chuckie is probably still playing tag somewhere.

Carolyn Walker is a staff writer for the Clarkston Eccentric. She lives in the city of the Village of Clarkston.

## Aunt Eleanor from page A9

received from Aunt Eleanor contained that hand-scratched cross.

I remember that she spoke frequently of God and his blessings in her life. I don't recall her ever complaining about her humble lifestyle or bemoaning her circumstances. She trusted God to provide what she needed and didn't want for anything more.

I remember, more than anything else, though, that when Aunt Eleanor lay dying in her old age, her leg amputated, her body in excruciating pain, she prayed for death to come.

"Father, if it is your will, take me home to be with you," she'd pray.

Finally, God answered Aunt

Eleanor's prayer, though not as quickly as some observers wanting her pain to end would have liked.

I thought of Aunt Eleanor as Kevorkian talked about a person's right to die, the "right" for a person to decide for himself when his life no longer has any "quality" left to it.

Kevorkian wasn't practicing assisted suicide when Aunt Eleanor died, but she would not have wanted him to hurry up her death.

Aunt Eleanor trusted God for everything. She believed that the creator of her body and soul, the one who determined the precise moment of her conception,

should also be the one to decide the precise moment of her death — that's why she asked for God's will to be done.

What a rich life of faith Aunt Eleanor lived. What a rich legacy Aunt Eleanor left.

If Aunt Eleanor's life had been cut short by medical technology, in the name of ending her suffering, she could not have passed along to her survivors her most poignant example of trusting God for everything — even in death.

Karen Hermes Smith is editor of the Clarkston Eccentric. She can be reached at 625-1900.

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## FRIDAY, JAN. 9

**SPAGHETTI DINNER**  
5-7 p.m. Independence Township Senior Center. All-you-can-eat spaghetti dinner including tossed salad and garlic toast. (Dessert is 75 cents extra). Program is open to the public so bring the whole family. Proceeds benefit the senior center. No registration required. Center is at 5980 Clarkston Road in Clintonwood Park. Cost \$4 adults, \$2 child.

## SATURDAY, JAN. 10

**LEARN TO SKI DAYS**  
1-4 p.m., Independence Oaks County Park. Ski lessons and demonstrations. Registration required. Call (248) 858-0906 or (248) 625-0877.

**CROOKED LAKE ICE FISHING CONTEST**  
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## THROUGH JAN. 11

**CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING**  
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## THURSDAY, JAN. 8

**WIDOWED SUPPORT GROUP**  
7 p.m., Independence Township Senior Center in Clintonwood Park on Clarkston Road in Clarkston. Facilitator Christine Spencer, director of bereavement services at Lewis E. Wint & Son

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## FRIDAY, JAN. 9

**DANCE FOR SPECIAL PEOPLE**  
7-9 p.m., Hart Community Center at the Mill Pond in Davisburg. Dance to the music of deejay Matt Wolfe. Refreshments. No charge. While NWOCS, a volunteer organization, provides recreational activities, caregivers have responsibility for direct supervision of participants. Call 634-9570.

## FRIDAY-SATURDAY, JAN. 9-10

**CLARKSTON VILLAGE PLAYERS**  
8 p.m., Depot Theater, 4861 White Lake Road in Clarkston. The Village players present "Aspirin and Elephants" by Jerry Mayer. A Midwestern couple, their two daughters and respective husbands take a cruise to help the father recover from his recent heart attack, but they are a bit too helpful. Tickets: \$8. Call (248) 625-8811.

## SATURDAY, JAN. 10

## BLOOD DRIVE

11 a.m. to 5 p.m. American Legion Post 377, Mary Sue Street, Clarkston.

## CROSS-COUNTRY SKI

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## SUNDAY, JAN. 11

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## RECREATION FOR SPECIAL PEOPLE

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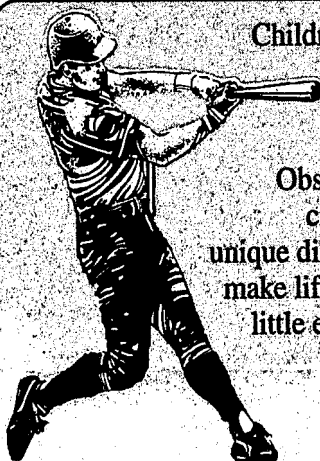
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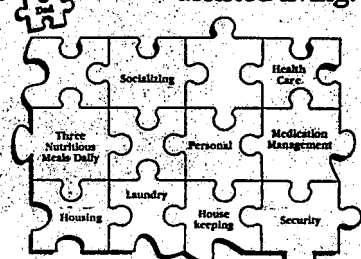
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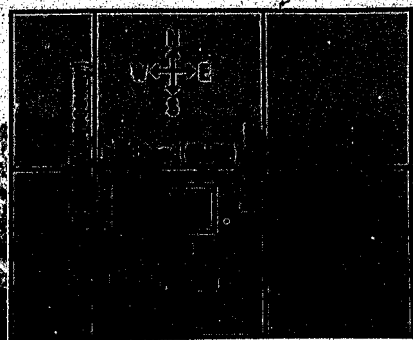
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# Metropark improvements are everywhere in 1998

BY TIM RICHARD  
STAFF WRITER

Huron-Clinton Metroparks will invest a record \$13.6 million in capital improvements in 1998, mainly because three major projects were delayed in 1997.

This will be "the first year of the authority's five-year recreation plan," said controller David L. Wahl as he submitted a \$48.6 million budget that the board approved.

The 13 Metroparks serving Wayne, Oakland, Livingston, Macomb and St. Clair counties drew nine million visitors last year, despite bad August weather that hurt pool revenues and continued Lake St. Clair pollution problems at Metro Beach.

Property owners — taxed 0.2236 mills or \$16.77 a year on a house with a market value of \$153,000 and taxable value of \$75,000 — provide \$22.1 million or a little less than half the total budget.

Major breakdowns: 45 percent for park operations, 28 percent for park capital improvements, and 10.5 percent for equipment, engineering, and administrative office.

With one major exception, the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority's budget is aimed at developing recreational capital rather than land acquisition. It will add one full-time employee, raising the total to 188.

HCMA carried over \$9.6 million it couldn't spend last year. "During 1997, delays were encountered in getting major construction projects off the ground," said Wahl. Among them:

■ "The temporary injunction against the Family Aquatic Center at Indian Springs prevented \$7.2 million of construction projects from being let." Located in Springfield and White Lake townships northwest of Pontiac, Indian Springs plans a \$9.9 million aquatic center built this year.

■ "Political uncertainties with Harrison Township officials cre-

ated a delay in awarding construction contracts for the \$1 million Metro Beach West Boat Launch." That highly publicized battle was over HCMA's plan to place a boat launch on the shores of Lake St. Clair. The present boat launch is upstream. The state will put up a \$750,000 recreational grant.

■ "Delays were encountered in obtaining appropriate permits from Michigan's Department of Environmental Quality and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for the construction of the \$500,000 Lake Erie Shoreline Trail." With its wave pool, Lake Erie has leaped into third place, just behind Metro Beach, as a revenue-producer for HCMA.

■ HCMA also carried over \$200,000 for upgrading Maltby Road leading to Huron Meadows in Green Oak Township of Livingston County. The newest Metropark, Huron Meadows has jumped into the middle of the revenue pack with its 18-hole golf course.

The major new acquisition will be Northbrook Golf Course near Wolcott Mill Metropark in the middle of Macomb County. An application for a state grant fell through, so HCMA will use its own funds.

Here are capital improvements planned for nearby popular Metroparks:

**Kensington**, in Milford and Green Oak townships — \$318,000 for upgrading a comfort station near the east boat launch, pesticide storage building, lighting at the farm center and general equipment. The most popular Metropark, Kensington, starting its 50th year, provides nearly 20 percent of HCMA's operating revenue.

**Stony Creek**, northeast of Rochester in Oakland and Macomb counties — \$256,000 for a fishing pier walk, picnic shelter, boat piers, and general equipment.

**Hudson Mills, Dexter-Huron and Delhi** on the Huron

River northwest of Ann Arbor in Washtenaw County — Hudson Mills will see road and tennis court repairs, a pesticide storage building and general equipment; Dexter and Delhi have planning money.

**Lower Huron and Willow**, straddling I-275 in southern Wayne County — completion of a 3.2-mile trail started last year. Willow will see \$262,000 in landscaping, picnic shelter and equipment improvements. Lower Huron will see repairs on the pool deck and waterside flume, along with a gypsy moth suppression program.

**Oakwoods**, downstream from Lower Huron and Willow — \$10,000 for a new canoe launch. The Huron meanders through wetlands in this largely natural area.

Entry fees are unchanged. For vehicles they will be \$15 for a season pass, \$8 for a senior citizen annual, \$3 for a one-day pass on weekends and holidays, \$2 weekdays but free on Wednesdays. Boat launching fees are \$18 for a season pass, \$9 for a senior citizen season pass, \$4 for weekends and holidays, \$3 for weekdays but free on Wednesdays.

The eight-member board has seen only one change in the last year: Maxine Perry of Southfield vacated her Liquor Control Commission job to take a gubernatorial appointment. The other gubernatorial appointee is Macomb County board chair John C. Hertel.

Representing county boards are banker James Clarkson of Oakland, businessman William E. Kreger of Wayne, professor Robert Marans of Washtenaw, James Young of Livingston and Thomas Welsh, a Macomb County official.

HCMA was formed in 1939. Next year, voters approved a 0.25-mill property tax, which has been pared down to 0.2236 by the Headlee tax limitation amendment.

## Candidates sought for state governor's service awards

BY NICOLE STAFFORD  
STAFF WRITER

Do you know a longtime doer of good deeds? An individual who is always helping others, but who is rarely acknowledged for the efforts?

"A lot of people are very modest about what they do in the community," said Lindy Reurink, assistant director of the Michigan Community Service Commission, which recently announced the availability of nomination forms for the annual Governor's Service Awards.

"We really like those individuals that have been doing volunteer service for a long period of time to get recognized," she said. "I think a lot of times people have been doing good deeds

for a long time and it just becomes a daily part of their lives."

"This is just a way to honor them for something they do everyday and believe in."

The Governor's Service Awards program enables Michigan citizens to nominate themselves or other Michigan residents in one of 15 volunteer service categories.

The deadline to submit nomination forms, which can be obtained through the MCSC, is 5 p.m. Feb. 13.

Award categories span volunteerism by youth, seniors, educators, media organizations and businesses.

Also given is the Governor George Romney Lifetime Achievement Community Service Award.

A peer review panel comprising individuals working in the fields of non-profit, business and education will review each nomination form and select five finalists in each category, Reurink said.

Finalists will be invited to a May 4 dinner in Lansing, where they will be given their due by Gov. John Engler and first lady Michelle Engler.

In its fifth year, the service awards program has saluted more than 800 Michigan citizens.

"We usually get around 250 nominations," Reurink said. "The nominations come from everywhere, and the type of community service is also very diverse."

To request a nomination form, call (517) 335-4295.

## Many job fairs on tap this year

Job seekers, get those resumes ready. The potential of finding employment may be increased when recruiters set up for job fairs coming up later this year.

An example, said job fair coordinator Chuck Vincent, is the Boeing Aircraft company, which last July sent 10 recruiters. They hired nearly 30 people on the spot with written job offers, pending a check of their work histories. Another 350 resumes were taken back to Seattle, where Boeing has hired so many workers there is a housing shortage, Vincent said.

Vincent, who was with the Michigan Employment Relations Commission for 24 years, now is president of the Job Fair Network of Michigan. Job fairs are scheduled Jan. 20 in Livonia for multi-industry employers, and Jan. 21 in Troy and Jan. 22 in Dearborn for technical employers.

Technical careers are for those seeking jobs in the computer, computer assisted design and engineering fields. Multi-industry fairs are for those seeking jobs in any field, according to Vincent.

Attendance at the job fairs is free to job seekers; however, employers are charged a fee.

The Wednesday, Jan. 21, job fair is at the Management Education Center of Michigan State University, 811 W. Square Lake Road, Troy. The Tuesday, Jan. 20, job fair is at Laurel Manor, 39000 Schoolcraft (I-96 service drive), Livonia. A job fair on Thursday, Jan. 22, is at 5000 Fairlane Woods Drive at the Fairlane Club in Dearborn, just north of the Fairlane Shopping Center.

Other job fairs are scheduled for April 29, July 23 and Oct. 21 in Troy, technical fields; April 30 and Oct. 19 in Livonia, multi-industry fields.

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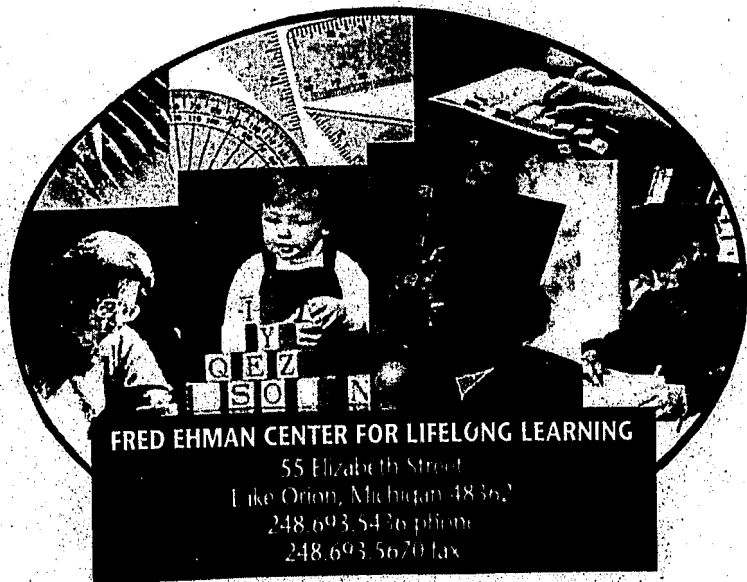
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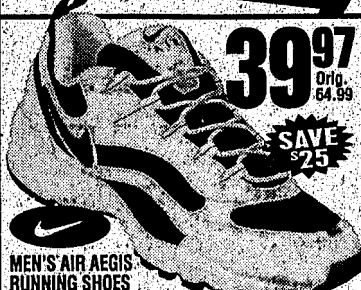
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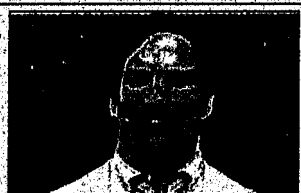
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BRAD KADRACH

*Fine supporting casts give  
Clarkston's wrestling  
basketball teams solid shots*

Last year, the names of Clarkston's top wrestlers just rolled off the lips of even the most casual fan: Ryan Mick, Jason Tiefenback, Scott Labrie, Gordie Golec, A.J. Grant.

Try doing that this year. Sure, you'd get Grant, because the kid went 50-1 last year and didn't lose a match until the state semifinals. And you'd probably get Pat DeGain, but maybe only because he's the coach's kid. After all, he wrestled just a handful of matches last year while he battled shoulder problems.

And if you watch the program closely, you'd probably get Ryan L'Amoreaux, the youngster who qualified for state at 103 pounds last year.

After that, I'll give you a dollar for every name you get on the roster (not really, I don't make that much money). But you get my point.

And despite the no-name nature of the team, the Wolves really haven't lost a step. They finished fifth at the Goodrich tournament, although they were just seven points away from a second-place trophy. And they just dismantled two of the state's top programs — Roseville and Warren Lincoln — in a double dual Saturday.

Roseville was ranked second in the state in Division I by the Michigan Wrestling Association, and first by the Michigan Wrestling News. The Abes, meanwhile, were ranked 15th and 13th, respectively, in Division II.

And the Wolves got the two easy wins without two of their starters, L'Amoreaux and 215-pound Bubba Clement. But they got contributions from the replacements: Theron Dahlerup got a pin and a technical fall, while Matt Edwards, wrestling at 189 with DeGain at 215 to replace Clement, got a pin and a major decision.

"We were without two starters, but the other kids stepped up," Clarkston coach Mike DeGain said.

The ensemble-cast nature of the Clarkston lineup, and the unknown quantities such as Chris Gomez at 130, Kevin Turnbull at 140, Aaron Sailor at 145 and even Josh Lafferty at 160, make speculation about the Jan. 27 match with Rochester Adams extraordinarily interesting. The Highlanders are generally regarded as the state's top team, they won the Oakland County tournament and they are the defending Oakland Activities Association Division I co-champ.

But stop before you just hand the Highlanders a victory. After all, it was Clarkston that beat Adams in the league meet at the end of the year, grabbing a share of the OAA I crown for themselves. Count wins for L'Amoreaux, Grant and DeGain. Trevor Barkham, Mark Lazzo and James Pack seem to be the best bets for wins for the Highlanders.

The rest of it might be a crap-shoot, and the Wolves' "No-Names" could really make a difference. Even with all those stars on last year's team, Clarkston couldn't come back to beat the Highlanders in the dual meet a year ago. And Adams has been speeding past everyone on its schedule so far this season.

With a relatively unknown and largely unsung cast of characters, though, Clarkston could provide an interesting speed bump on Adams' road to the state championship.

## Cagers get shot in arm

There's no telling how much of an influence the Dec. 30 win over Detroit Central will have on the rest of Clarkston's basketball season, but it sure won't hurt.

The Wolves went to Cobo Hall and came from behind for a thrilling 51-50 win over Central, behind a last-second 8-pointer from Mike Maitrott.

Where, you ask, was Dane Fife when it was time to take that shot? The senior guard was hemmed in the corner by a trio of Central defenders, so the ball got kicked out to Maitrott, who buried the long-range jumper for his only points of the contest.

It's that kind of contribution, along with the addition of senior Angelo Taylor and a fine supporting cast, that has the Wolves thinking about how far they can go in the state tournament.

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## Cagers get rare easy win over Chippewa Valley

BY BRAD KADRACH  
SPORTS EDITOR

When Clarkston and Chippewa Valley get together for a prep hoops contest, it's usually a pretty good game.

But not always. The Wolves traveled to Clinton Township Tuesday and came away with an easy 69-42 non-league win over the Big Reds. Unlike most of the

games between the teams, this one was over early, as Clarkston grabbed a 20-8 first-quarter lead and never looked back.

It was Clarkston's second straight win — the Wolves beat Detroit Central in the Superintendent's Classic at Cobo Hall over the holidays — since their only loss of the season to Pontiac Central Dec. 18.

The Wolves did it with defense, hold-

ing the Big Reds to one shot per trip up the court on all but one possession in the second quarter, while Clarkston was building a 45-26 lead.

"We were sagging and helping to the ball," Clarkston coach Dan Fife said. "We played well defensively in the Detroit Central game, and I thought we played well defensively again (Tuesday)."

Senior guard Mike Maitrott, who hit

the game-winner against Central Dec. 20, sparked the first-period burst for the Wolves, hitting a pair of 3-pointers. Senior guard Dane Fife and senior forward Justin Dionne each scored five as the Wolves took command early.

Fife, Clarkston's leading scorer, exploded for 11 points in the second quarter as the Wolves extended their

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## Wolves bounce two of state's best



■ Clarkston either didn't realize Roseville was ranked first or second in the polls, or didn't care, as the Wolves pinned a 38-27 loss on the Panthers and established themselves as one of the state's best teams.

BY BRAD KADRACH  
SPORTS EDITOR

If Clarkston's wrestling team can do this well with a couple of starters out, think what damage the Wolves will inflict with a full lineup.

With Ryan L'Amoreaux (103 pounds) and Bubba Clement (215) watching from the bench, the Wolves went out and handed Roseville a spanking, beating the top-ranked (or second-ranked, depending on the poll) Panthers, 38-27 in a wrestling meet that wasn't as close as the final score might indicate.

Clarkston led 26-13 after Aaron Sailor pinned Roseville's Matt McCartney in their 145-pound clash. The Panthers then rebounded to win the next three matches and take their second lead, 27-26, but Clarkston quickly eliminated that with wins in the last three matches to pull away with the impressive victory.

The Panthers are ranked first by Michigan Wrestling News, second by the Michigan Wrestling Association.

"They were the second-ranked team, so I guess this is a good win for us," junior 112-pounder AJ Grant said.

The replacements for the starters did well: Theron Dahlerup, subbing for L'Amoreaux, stepped in and got Clarkston started by pinning Charlie Ireland in 4:17.

Grant, who went 50-1 last year and is unbeaten this season, pinned Matt Bilbrey in 2:58 to put Clarkston up 12-6. After Roseville won the next three to go up 13-12, Rocky Bills routed Brian



STAFF PHOTO BY STEVE CANTRELL

Back at ya: Clarkston's Chris Gomez tries to reverse positions with Tony Tomala of Roseville during their 130-pound match Saturday. Gomez lost the match, but his Wolves won the war, beating the Panthers 38-27.

Verwee 16-1 at 135 pounds. The technical fall put Clarkston up 17-13. Kevin Turnbull then beat Carl Nihranz 6-5 at 140 before Sailor's big pin at 145.

"That pin at 145 was big for us, because we weren't sure what we would get there," Clarkston coach Mike DeGain said. "That was the key match."

The Panthers scratched back with

three straight wins, but Matt Edwards stopped that run by pinning Eric Gallos in 2:30. Edwards led 14-0 after one period in a great match.

Pat DeGain then beat Mike Lauinger 7-2 at 215 and Jon Robinson topped it off with an 8-4 win over Pete Hender-shot at 275.

Mike DeGain said the Wolves' recent performance was made better by the

fact they have had trouble focusing during the holidays.

"With as busy as the holidays have been and with everyone scattered, it's been hard to focus," DeGain said. "The kids showed up to wrestle, they wrestled well, and they wrestled well against a darn good team. I'm really

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## Netters hold on for 3-set victory

BY MIKE SCOTT  
SPECIAL WRITER

In their match against West Bloomfield Monday, the Clarkston volleyball team jumped out to a lead in all three sets. The question was whether they could hold the lead enough to win the contest.

At the end, it was Clarkston's seniors who were mainly responsible for a 9-15, 15-7, 15-12 win over the Lakers to improve the Wolves to 5-5-1 overall and 2-1 in league play.

After West Bloomfield scored four consecutive points to cut the lead to 13-12 in the final set, seniors Georgia Senkyr and Nicole Nelles combined for a block kill. Two side outs later, the Lakers' Lauren Snedecker spiked one into the net to give Clarkston the victory.

"There's a learning curve you get into as a team, particularly since we're relatively inexperienced," said Clarkston head coach Gordie Richardson. "When we went up in the final set, I told the girls we don't want to feel like we let this one get away from us."

"I think we need to learn how to win a match, and this may have been a big step for us."

Winning a close match which could have gone either way down the stretch could prove to be the shot the Wolves needed. Clarkston withstood a furious Laker rally and managed to maintain its collective composure to pull out the win.

The Wolves jumped out to leads of 6-1 and 11-2 in the final set thanks to the hitting of Senkyr and senior Aimee Giroux, who combined for 32-of-38 hitting and 13 kills. Junior back line player Jennifer Claus served well all night, and recorded four of her five aces in the third set.

But West Bloomfield (3-5-3) came back on the strength of the serves of Heather Robbins and Lisa Copland. They scored 10 of the next 12 points before Clarkston put the match away.

"We kept battling which was good, but we made too many mistakes," said West Bloomfield head coach Sharon Angus. "There were times tonight where our hitting really hurt us."

The Wolves led 7-1 in the first set, but when they had chances to take control, Clarkston hit some serves wide or long. The Lakers were able to come back as Snedecker and Robbins took control in the middle. They also took advantage of poor communication on the part of Clarkston players.

But in the second set, it was West Bloomfield making the mistakes and not communicating. The Wolves led 7-2, and this time held the lead as Senkyr recorded four of her six blocks to even the match.

"As you could see tonight, we don't have as much offense when (Senkyr) is not in the front row," said Richardson. "But we received good efforts from a

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STAFF PHOTO BY JEFF KESSEL

Miss Dig: Clarkston's Jennifer Claus goes down for the dig during the Wolves' win at West Bloomfield Monday.





Up and away: Clarkston's Dane Fife (with ball) looks for teammate Angelo Taylor (31) during the Wolves' easy win at Chippewa Valley Tuesday.

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lead to 19 points by intermission.

The closest the Big Reds could get to the Wolves the entire second period was 15 points, 36-21, when Ronnie Zatkoff pout back a miss by Sean Lively.

But Fife hit a 3-pointer and senior forward Angelo Taylor added a free throw to extend the lead to 40-21. The Big Reds never got closer than 17 points the rest of the night.

Fife led the Wolves with 18 points. He also dished out eight assists and grabbed seven rebounds. Taylor finished with 16 points and had 12 rebounds.

The Wolves also got a little more balanced scoring, getting 10 points from Brad Phalen, six (and four assists) from Maitrott, five from Dionne, and four from Mark Whiteman. Dan Neubeck grabbed four steals to lead the defensive effort.

"They're a younger team than us, and we were just that much better (Tuesday)," Dane Fife said. "We know (Big Red) coach (Kevin) Voss is a good coach. His teams always play well against us."

Dan Fife said his Wolves gained a lot of confidence in the game at Cobo Hall, and it showed up Tuesday at Chippewa

Valley.

"We just played well," Fife said. "We've had good practices, and we're trying to get better every game. The Central game gave us a lot of confidence."

The Wolves are at Pontiac Northern Friday in a big game for Taylor, who transferred from Northern before the season. Game time is 7 p.m.

**Dec. 30 — Clarkston 51, Detroit Central 50:** The game featured two candidates for Michigan's Mr. Basketball award — Clarkston's Dane Fife and Central's Antonio Gates — but it was Maitrott who sealed the win in the Superintendent's Tip-Off Classic.

With Fife pinned in the corner and time winding down, Maitrott launched a 3-pointer that overcame a late three-point play from Central's Jimmy Twyman.

The win came after Clarkston's first loss of the season to Pontiac Central. It was Detroit Central's first loss of the season.

Angelo Taylor did most of the damage, tossing in a game-high 21 points to go along with 16 rebounds. Central held Fife to 9-of-23 from the floor and 18 points, and the senior guard added 11 rebounds and three assists.

## McGrath league continues to benefit kids

BY MIKE SCOTT  
SPECIAL WRITER

During the past decade, there is no question Clarkston High School has become a perennial basketball power in southeastern Michigan. A great deal of that success is because of an increased effort to develop young players at the elementary and junior high school levels in the area.

And one way that has occurred is through the Bud McGrath weekend basketball league.

Established in 1982 by current Clarkston varsity head coach Dan Fife, the program allows fourth- through eighth-grade students in the community a chance to receive some instruction and play pick-up games in an informal fashion. What is unique about the program is the fact those volunteers who serve as coaches and referees are Clarkston High School players.

"I'm very proud of the program and what it stands for," said Fife, who named the league after his high school coach at Clarkston. "I would say it's the backbone of our (varsity) program."

Fife said McGrath, who died 15 years ago, had envisioned a similar arrangement back in the mid-1960s as a way of allowing area kids the chance to play basketball in a fun environment.

That is the goal Fife himself has established for the McGrath league, although it is difficult to keep competition completely out of the equation.

"I tried playing the games without keeping score, and to try and switch teams every week, but the kids like to keep track of that stuff," Fife said. "I think younger kids need to have some structure in the game, but they also need to play unstructured basketball at times to learn the game."

The league begins each year in early December and runs for 10 or 11 weeks each Saturday. For the past 10 years, the league has averaged 300 kids per session and Clarkston's varsity players often spend approximately eight hours on a given Saturday working with the youngsters on improving their game.

In fact, many of the Wolves' varsity players the past few

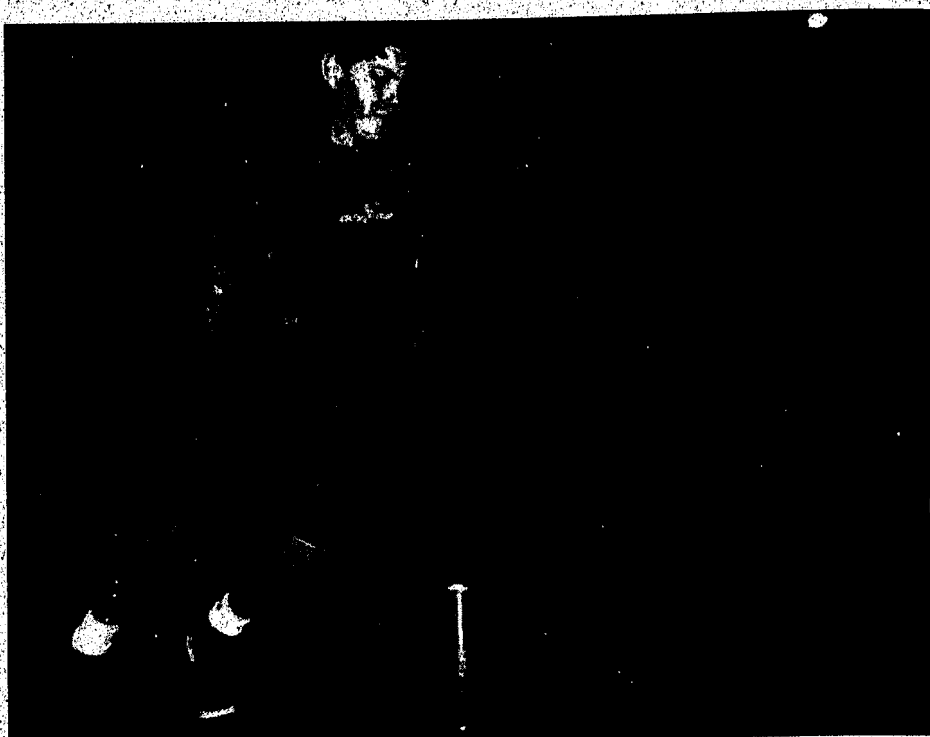


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Follow the bouncing ball: Mike Ruggirello, 13 of Clarkston, works on a dribbling drill during a clinic session in the McGrath Basketball League at Clarkston High School.

years participated in the McGrath Saturday league, and their love of the game grew from those afternoons at the high school gymnasium.

"There's hardly any kid who lives in the Clarkston community who plays basketball and didn't grow up playing McGrath as well," said Fife.

When the program first started, Fife utilizes an interest in coaching for a number of Clarkston players. "Our players can be seen as positive role models for the younger kids which is a great thing," said Fife. "It also helps me to coach my players more effectively. There's a million positive things which come out of

and gets them involved and interested in Clarkston basketball. Any fan of the Wolves has become accustomed to seeing a large number of young fans attending home games wearing Clarkston gear."

It also helps Fife's players to better understand the game and experience basketball from a teaching level. In addition, it establishes an interest in coaching for a number of Clarkston players.

"Our players can be seen as positive role models for the younger kids which is a great thing," said Fife. "It also helps me to coach my players more effectively. There's a million positive things which come out of

this arrangement."

When Clarkston High School opens its new school next year, the program may have more room for growth because of a larger gymnasium.

This past summer, Clarkston held its first summer basketball camp for youths in a number of years, with such players as Duke freshman and reigning Mr. Basketball Shane Battier, former University of Michigan player Dugan Fife, and Grand Valley State University's Tim Wasilk and Jeremy Fife serving as camp counselors.

Of the 58 players who attended that youth camp, a majority were from the Clarkston area and had participated in the McGrath league the previous winter.

"It's a fun environment which is the way it should be," Fife said.

**"I'm very proud of the program and what it stands for."**

**Dan Fife**  
—Clarkston hoop coach

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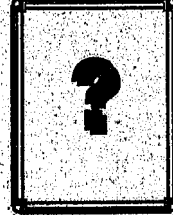
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## Wrestling from page B1

excited."

Clarkston 62, Warren Lincoln 11: The Wolves got six pins, one void and a pair of technical falls in routing the Abes, ranked 11th in Division II.

Grant, Chris Gomez, Rocky Bills, Turnbull, DeGain and Robinson all won by pinfall. Scott Brewer picked up six points by void, and Andy Auten and Dahlerup both won by technical fall.

Dec. 30 — Clarkston fifth at Goodrich: The Wolves finished 31 points out of first place, but were only seven points out of

second at day's end in one of the state's top tournaments.

Grant and Pat DeGain both won individual titles, and five other wrestlers earned medals. Edwards (171), Auten (152) and L'Amoreaux (103) all finished third. Robinson was fifth at 275 and Gomez was seventh at 130.

"It was a good tournament," DeGain said. "Even though we finished fifth, we were only seven points out of second. A little bit here or there and we'd have taken home the second-place trophy."



Down you go: Clarkston's Chris Labrie pins Brian Buck of Almont at the Oxford Invitational.

## Keep safety tips in mind if weather permits ice fishing

The recent January thaw has wreaked havoc on south-eastern Michigan lakes as ice fishing has come to a halt. There is currently no safe ice in the area. In fact, most lakes sport open water.



BILL PARKER

Winter will inevitably return and the local lakes will, hopefully, freeze solid enough so the ice fishing opportunities will return. When winter reappears don't be so anxious to get out on the ice that you throw caution to the wind.

Here are a few safety tips to remember when contemplating a trip out on the ice:

- The best ice is hard, blue ice. When ice has a gray or whitish tint or is full of bubbles and air pockets it's smart to stay on shore.

- Ice thickness can sometimes be misleading. Thin ice up to three inches that has frozen solid and remains frozen can often be safer than five or six inches of ice than has frozen, thawed and frozen again. Ice that is soft or mushy, or tends to give way when weight is placed on it, should be avoided.

- Be aware of ice-covered rivers and river mouths. Moving water will keep ice from freezing and leave many rivers and river mouths unsafe.

- Sunny warm weather can weaken safe ice during the course of the afternoon so be sure to periodically check the ice if you stay out for an extended period of time. Look for puddles forming on top of the ice and watch to see if the ice is beginning to bend or bow in the area in which you are fishing.

- If you fall through stay calm and call for help. Try to pull yourself out in the direction you came from. Extend your arms to keep your head above the water and kick with your feet. Try to roll out of the hole and use spikes or ice creepers if you have them to help you grip the ice. When you get out of the water roll well away from the hole before standing up. Remember, the added weight of the water on your clothes will make you heavier and prone to breaking through again, so don't try to stand up immediately.

- Shed your wet clothes as soon as possible since hypothermia can begin to take hold in as little as four minutes.

- If you're with someone who falls through the ice throw them a rope, pole, ladder, hose, jacket or anything available. Do not, by any means, run out to the hole and try to pull someone out.

- Consider purchasing a fishing jacket with a personal flotation device built into it.

- Be sure to carry, creepers or spikes in your pockets in case you do fall through.

- Keep a rope, hose or life saving device handy if you plan to spend time on a lake.

- Finally, treat all ice as if it's unsafe. Don't cross unfamiliar ice without first checking it out.

Keep these safety precautions in mind when the ice returns and have a fun, safe, successful ice fishing season.

### Deer season 2nd safest

The 1997 firearms deer season, which saw nearly 750,000 hunters take to the field, was the second safest on record according to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Law Enforcement officials. There were 27 hunting accidents in the 1996 season including two fatalities. Last year was the safest season on record with a total of 16 accidents and one fatal.

"Firearms deer season

remains a safe recreational pursuit, due to the successful efforts of hunter safety education in Michigan and the overall compliance of almost 750,000 hunters with laws and safety guidelines," said Herb Burns, chief of the DNR's Law Enforcement Division. "Over half the accidents and at least one of the fatalities were clearly the result of actions which constituted violations of law or safety rules."

A quick look at the accidents seems to underline that fact.

Eight non-fatal accidents and one fatal accident occurred when one hunter shot another while attempting to shoot a deer. (Be sure of your target and what is beyond your target.)

In separate incidents, four young hunters between the ages of 14 and 17 accidentally shot themselves in the foot or lower leg. (Always keep your gun pointed in a safe direction and keep your finger off the trigger until you are ready to shoot.)

One fatal and three non-fatal accidents occurred when a hunter was mistaken for a deer. (Be sure of your target and what is beyond your target.)

Two non-fatal accidents occurred while a hunter was loading a firearm. (Know your firearm and its ammunition.)

Two individuals were injured by stray bullets in separate inci-

dents while they were inside a dwelling. Two others were injured by ricochets. (Be sure of your target and what is beyond your target.)

One non-fatal injury occurred when a hunter grabbed another hunter's gun by the barrel and another occurred when someone was taking a loaded gun out of a vehicle. (Treat every gun as if it were loaded.)

The shooters, and the reason for the other two accidents are unknown. While this season stands out as the second safest on record, 27 accidents is still 27 too many. Hunter safety classes and the mandate for hunters orange have gone a long way in improving the safety of our sport but we must continue to strive for an accident-free season.

Always be sure every member of your hunting party is aware of and practices the 10 Commandments of Hunters Safety. Everyone wants to be successful and bring some venison home, but when the quest for success clouds your judgment accidents can and do occur.

Anglers and hunters are urged to report their success. Questions and comments are also encouraged. Send information to 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. Fax information to (810) 644-1314 or call Bill Parker evenings at (810) 901-2573.



### Charter Township of Springfield

#### BOARD MEETING DATES FOR 1998

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the duly-established boards and commissions of the government of the Charter Township of Springfield have established meeting schedules and locations for calendar/fiscal year 1998 as follows:

#### SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD

The Springfield Township Board will hold its regular meeting on the second Thursday of each month beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Township Hall, 650 Broadway, Davisburg, MI 48350:

January 8	July 9
February 12	August 13
March 12	September 10
April 9	October 8
May 14	November 12
June 11	December 10

#### SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

The Planning Commission will hold its regular meetings, if required, on the first Wednesday, and third Monday of each month, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Township Hall, 650 Broadway, Davisburg, MI 48350:

January 7, 19	July 1, 20
February 4, 16	August 5, 17
March 4, 16	September 2, 21
April 1, 20	October 7, 19
May 6, 18	November 4, 16
June 3, 15	December 2, 21

#### SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Zoning Board of Appeals will hold its regular meetings, if required, on the third Thursday of each month, beginning at 8:00 p.m. at the Township Hall, 650 Broadway, Davisburg, MI 48350:

January 15	July 16
February 19	August 20
March 19	September 17
April 16	October 15
May 21	November 19
June 18	December 17

#### SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

The Parks and Recreation Commission will hold its regular meetings on the second Tuesday of each month, beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the Hart Community Center at the Mill Pond Park, 495 Broadway, Davisburg, MI 48350:

January 13	July 14
February 10	August 11
March 10	September 8
April 14	October 13
May 12	November 10
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#### SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP LIBRARY BOARD

The Library Board will hold its regular meetings on the third Tuesday of each month beginning at 8:00 p.m. at the Springfield Township Library, 10900 Andersonville Rd., Davisburg, MI 48350:

January 20	July 21
February 17	August 18
March 17	September 15
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June 16	December 15

Questions regarding the above published meeting schedules and locations may be directed to the Office of the Springfield Township Clerk, PO Box 1038, 650 Broadway, Davisburg, MI 48350.

Nancy Strole, Clerk  
Charter Township of Springfield

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## Volleyball from page B1

number of different players tonight."

That included Giroux who had her best offensive night of her varsity career, and sophomore middle-hitter Brittani Brewer, who finished with four blocks and made her presence felt all night.

"It was Brittani's best effort, no doubt," Richardson said. "Having her height (six-foot) in there gives the other team something to think about."

The Wolves seemed to struggle offensively all night when they played with less aggressiveness. Richardson said he is trying to encourage his team not to "dink"

the ball around the court as much and to go for the kill.

"Sometimes we have a tendency to get tentative on offense, which is not our game," he said. "Oddly enough in the third set, most of the kills resulted in side outs, and most of the points were caused by attack errors by one of the teams."

Giroux and Claus both led the back-line defense for the Wolves. Giroux was 15-of-16 in serve receptions with 11 digs, and Claus also added 11 digs. Senior setter Kelly Hanna had 14 assists.

Co-captain Jenny McCue also posted strong offensive numbers

with five kills.

The Wolves recovered from a disappointing 1-3 mark at the Walled Lake Central Invitational Saturday. During one stretch Clarkston gave up 19 consecutive points, and struggled on offense even in their lone victory over Waterford Kettering.

"We didn't play with a lot of confidence, particularly against Walled Lake Central (a 15-2, 15-1 loss) which is a very good team," Richard said. "That's why (Monday's) match was so important for us."

## Kadrich from page B1

Of course, getting there unscathed is half the battle.

The Wolves still have to play Pontiac Northern twice, and other tough games dot the hoop landscape in Clarkston.

But if guys like Maitrott, Justin Dionne, Danny Neubeck and the like continue to chip in their two-cents' worth, they could combine with Fife and

Taylor to take the Wolves a long way.

"The Central game gave us a lot of confidence," Clarkston coach Dan Fife said after Tuesday's easy win over Chippewa Valley.

"We've had some good practices, and we try to get better every game."

The Wolves travel to Pontiac

Northern Friday, host the Huskies in a return match Feb. 10, then travel to Flint Northern Feb. 17.

Those three games will tell the tale for the Wolves.

If they continue to get such contributions from people not named Fife, it could be a fairy tale, the kind where everyone lives happily ever after.

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## Outdoor Calendar

## OUTDOOR CLUBS

## SOLAR

The School for Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation, a non-profit organization interested in promoting the appreciation of outdoor activities, meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at the Colony Hall in Southfield. Call (248) 988-6658 for more information.

## FISHING CLUBS

## CLINTON VALLEY BASS ANGLERS

Clinton Valley Bass Anglers is seeking new members (boaters and non-boaters are welcome). The club meets monthly at Gander Mountain in Waterford. The next meeting is slated for 10 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 11. Call Mike Daly at (248) 666-8910 for more information.

## METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS

Metro-West Steelheaders meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the cafeteria at Garden City High School. Call Dominic Liparoto at (248) 476-5027 for more information.

## MICHIGAN FLY FISHING

The Michigan Fly Fishing Club meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia Clarenceville Junior High School. Call (810) 478-1494 for more information.

## FOUR SEASONS

The Four Seasons Fishing Club meets 7:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Senior Citizen's Center in the Livonia Civic Center. Call Jim Kudaj at (313) 591-0843 for more information.

## FISHING BUDDYS

Fishing Buddys Fishing Club meets monthly in Rochester Hills. Call (248) 656-0556 for more information.

## BASS ASSOCIATION

The Downriver Bass Association, a non-tournament bass club, meets the fourth Tuesday of every month at the Dearborn Civic Center. Call (313) 676-2863 for more information.

## FUND RAISERS

## WILD GAME DINNER

The Wyoming Safari Club will host a benefit wild game dinner beginning at 6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 10, at the Taylor Moose Hall. Tickets are \$25 in advance and \$30 at the door. Proceeds from the dinner will be used to benefit youth outdoor programs, hunting and fishing projects and activities for disabled sportsper-

sons. Call Alan Thompson (248) 851-1266 or Steve Malina (313) 277-8291 for tickets and more information.

## DATES

## GOOSE

The special late Canada goose season runs Jan. 2-Feb. 1 in southern Michigan. The boundaries for the late hunt have been changed this year and are now the same as those for the South Zone of the regular waterfowl season. The entire south zone is open during the late hunt with the exception of the five GMU's.

## RABBIT

Rabbit season runs through March 31 statewide.

## TURKEY

Feb. 1 is the deadline to apply for a spring turkey permit.

## CLASSES

## FLY TYING

The Challenge Chapter of Trout Unlimited and Birmingham Continuing Education will offer a 10-week fly tying class beginning at 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 19, at Birmingham Seaholm High School. Call (248) 203-3800 to register and for more information.

## GRAND CANYON

Visit the Grand Canyon and Canyonlands through videos and slides during the January meeting of the Southeast Michigan Group, Sierra Club, which begins at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 8, at the Northwest Unitarian Church in Southfield. Call (248) 932-5370 for more information.

## SHOOTING RANGES

## BALD MOUNTAIN

Bald Mountain Recreation Area in Lake Orion has shotgun (skeet & trap, sporting clays, 5-stand), rifle, pistol, and archery shooting facilities. Range hours are 10 a.m. to dusk on Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays. Bald Mountain is located at 1330 Greenshield Road (three miles north of the Palace of Auburn Hills). Call (810) 814-9193 for more information.

## PONTIAC LAKE

Pontiac Lake Recreation Area in Waterford has rifle, pistol, shotgun, and archery ranges. Range hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Wednesdays through Sundays. Pontiac Lake Recreation Area is located at 7800 Gale Road. Call (810) 666-1020 for more information.

## ORTONVILLE RECREATION

Ortonville Recreation Area in Ortonville has rifle, pistol and shotgun shooting facilities. Range hours through Dec. 22 are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday through Sunday. The Ortonville Recreation Area is located at 5779 Hadley Road. Call (810) 693-6767 for more information.

## ARCHERY

## JUNIOR OLYMPICS

The Oakland County Sportsman Club in Clarkston offers a Junior Olympic Archery Development Program beginning at 1 p.m. on Sundays. Call (810) 623-0444 for more information.

## JUNIOR ARCHERS

A weekly program for junior archers begins at 9 a.m. Saturdays at Detroit Archers in West Bloomfield. Call (248) 661-9610 or (313) 835-2110 for more information.

## METROPARKS

## METROPARK REQUIREMENTS

Most Metropark programs are free while some require a nominal fee. Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are required for all programs. Call the respective parks, toll free: Stony Creek, 1-800-477-7756; Indian Springs, 1-800-477-3192; Kensington, 1-800-477-3178.

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## ICE FISHING FOR BEGINNERS

Learn the basics of ice fishing then wet a line and try to catch some fish during this program,

which begins at 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 10, at Kensington.

## SKY SEARCH

Junior girl scouts can earn their Sky Search badge during this program, which will be held throughout the day Saturday, Jan. 10, at Indian Springs.

## STARS AND STORIES

A two-hour indoor program on winter constellations and their legends begins at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 11, at Indian Springs.

## BIRDING BASICS

Learn the basics of birding including bird identification, equipment and techniques during this program, which begins at 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 11, at Kensington.

## WINTER STARS

Homeschoolers at the 4th-grade level or higher will learn the winter constellations and their legends during this two-hour indoor program, which begins at 1 p.m. Monday, Jan. 12, at Indian Springs. There is a \$1 fee per child, pre-registration is required and participants should bring a light colored t-shirt.

## OAKLAND COUNTY PARKS

## COUNTY PARK REQUIREMENTS

Advanced registration is required for all nature programs at Oakland County Parks. Call (810) 625-6473 to register or for more information.

## RECYCLE CHRISTMAS TREES

Ten Oakland County Parks will be recycling Christmas trees through Jan. 11. Trees may be dropped off 9 a.m.-4 p.m., seven days a week. Independence Oaks and Orion Oaks will remain open for Christmas tree recycling through Jan. 25.

## SUNDAY SNOWSHOES

Explore winter wonders on snowshoes during this program, which begins at 10 a.m. and again at 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 18, at Independence Oaks.

## TUNING YOUR TOT INTO WINTER

A nature program for children ages 3-6 including a hike, stories, snacks, crafts and more will be offered at 10 a.m., 11:45 a.m., 1 p.m. and 2:45 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 11, at Indian Springs.

Please see CALENDAR, B5



Cross-country skiing is a fun, exciting and healthful way to enjoy the outdoors. Learn to cross-country ski at the Observer & Eccentric Ski Schools listed.

Because there is limited space available, pre-registration is required. For more registration information, call Monday through Friday at least one week in advance of the session. Note: Individual dates and times may change in each community. Clinics begin in January (weather permitting).

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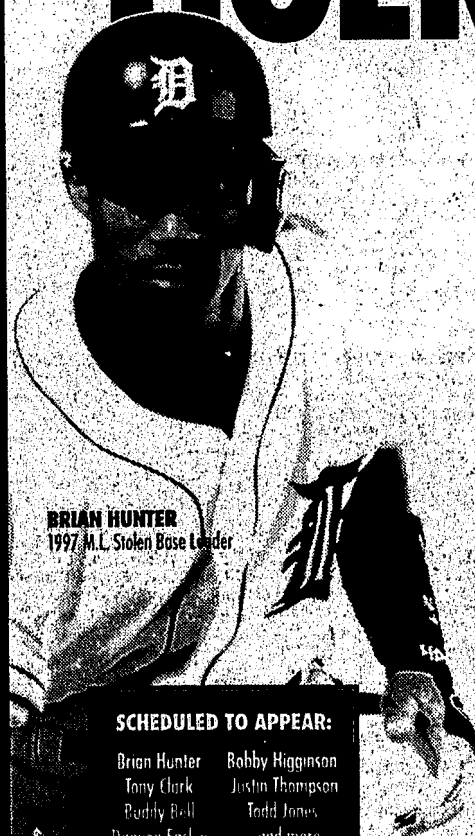
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### RUNNING

#### R & D RACE DIRECTORS

R & D Race Directors kick off the year May 3 with the first annual Great Lakes State Games regional event. Scheduled for 10 a.m. at Independence Oaks County Park in Clarkston, this event will feature a 5 1/2-mile run, 2.4-mile walk and 1/2 mile Kiddie Run. Call 1-800-763-9820 for an entry form, a 1998 R & D race schedule or information about The 3R Running Club.

### PROGRAMS

#### RECREATIONAL EQUIPMENT INC.

Recreational Equipment Inc., located at 17559 Haggerty Road in Northville just off I-275, winter clinic program can help you plan your winter sports activities. REI will host "Basic Ski Tuning" at 1 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 17. Learn the basics of edge and base conditioning, waxing and detuning base and tip edges for alpine and cross country skis. "How To Build a Snow Cave" is also set for 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, weather permitting. Dress warm and help the REI staff build a snow cave outside the store. Call REI at (248) 347-2100 for more information.

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West Bloomfield Community Education is currently accepting registrations for the winter season. This nationally recognized organization offers an exciting variety of physical fitness and

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### INDOOR SPORTS

#### WIDE WORLD SPORTS CENTER

Wide World Sports Center begins its Winter II Indoor Soccer season Feb. 13. The league is expected to fill up by mid-January and teams will be turned away. To reserve a spot, a team must register with a \$100 deposit. WWSC's Winter Indoor Roller Hockey season starts Feb. 15 and runs through May 1. Individual fees are \$70 per player and team fees are \$695. For more details on WWSC's programs call (313) 913-4625.

#### BASKETBALL

A K of C Sports Oldtimers Club basketball tournament and league at the St. Bartholomew gym (players 30+ over) are in the process of being organized. Call sports director Michael Sitkowski at (248) 874-1731 for more information.

#### FLOOR HOCKEY

Lakeshore Family YMCA in St. Clair Shores is now forming a

Winter Men's Floor Hockey League. Openings are available for Sunday and Tuesday evenings. The season begins Tuesday, Jan. 27. Fee is \$425 and includes eight games plus playoffs. Call (810) 778-5811 or Hockey League Director Gordie Miskelly at (810) 401-7165 for more information.

### OAKLAND COUNTY PARKS

#### SKIING

Addison Oaks County Park, located at W. Romeo Road nine miles north of Rochester, will be the site for "Family & Friends Ski Nights" on Saturday Jan. 31 and Saturday, Feb. 7. Held from 5:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. both days, this program features cross country skiing on a 1 1/2-mile lighted trail, ski lessons, hayrides, ice skating, a bonfire and marshmallow roast and prize drawings. Entry fee is \$3 per person or \$9 with ski rental. Call (248) 693-2432 for more information.

■ A "Learn to Ski Day" is scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 31 at Independence Oaks (Sashabaw Road, 2 1/2 miles north of I-75) from 1 p.m.-4 p.m. Call (248) 625-0877 for more information. ■ The Observer & Eccentric Ski School will hold sessions on Jan. 17, Feb. 8 and Feb. 14 at Addison Oaks and Jan. 18, Feb. 7 and Feb. 15 at Independence Oaks. Sessions are 10 a.m.-noon and 1:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m. Cost is \$7/lesson and \$13/lesson with ski rental.

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day and Thursday, Jan. 21 and 22 at Independence Oaks. The program will be offered again at 1 p.m. and at 2:45 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 24.

#### OWL PROWL

Learn about the different kinds of owls found in Michigan then take a hike to hear some resident owls during this program, which begins at 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 24, at Independence Oaks.

### STATE PARKS

#### STATE PARK REQUIREMENTS

Maybury State Park, Proud Lake Recreation Area, Bald Mountain Recreation Area, Highland Recreation Area and Island Lake Recreation Area offer nature interpretive programs throughout the year. A state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry into all state parks and state recreation

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# EMPLOYMENT

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KSI Kitchen & Bath Showroom  
KSI is seeking a Part-Time Receptionist for our Brighton Showroom. The right person will be enthusiastic, organized, multi-task oriented & professional with good interpersonal & sales skills. The position involves greeting customers, answering the phone & other secretarial duties, including data entry. The hours are: Thursday from 9 am until 5 pm & Saturdays from 9 am until 5 pm. The successful candidate will have strong office experience & a great service-oriented attitude. Salary is \$7.00 or higher range depending on experience. If interested, fax a resume to (610) 228-2230, attention: Human Resources or mail resume to:  
Kitchen Suppliers, Inc.  
6022 Madison Ave.  
Brighton, MI 48116  
Attn: KSGHR

**REAL ESTATE ASSISTANTS**  
Needed for busy real estate agent. Full/Part time. Must have real estate background, helpful, organized, computer skills. Occasional nights & weekends. Send resume: Real Estate, Box 353 Birmingham 48012

**REAL ESTATE ASSISTANT**  
Busy, Nov. agent needs excellent communication, computer and organizational skills. Real estate background helpful. Compensation commensurate with experience. Part or full time. Please fax resume to (313) 420-0332 or call (248) 349-3000 Ext. 233

**RECEPTIONIST / ADMINISTRATOR**  
Computer software company is looking for responsible person with excellent phone and general office skills for front desk position. Knowledge of Microsoft, Word, Excel, and computerized accounting systems required. Office experience preferred. Excellent compensation and benefits package. Send resume to: Marketplace Solutions, 34301 Indianapolis, Farmington Hills, MI 48333. ATTN: Sandy

**RECEPTIONIST**  
Arthur Murray Dance Studio, 3-8, Mon-Fri. Must be energetic, personable and dependable. 30-40 hours. 11000 Highland Rd., Farmington Hills, MI 48334. (248) 338-6390

**RECEPTIONIST**  
Brighton Farms office seeking enthusiastic team member to assume receptionist & light secretarial duties. Position requires excellent communication skills. A professional phone manner. Some experience preferred. Fax confidential resume to: (313) 420-1332

**RECEPTIONIST/CLERK**  
Eight, ambitious people for busy office. Full time. Typing, filing, Word-Perfect. Excellent phone skills. Send qualifications or resume to: Receptionist, 20300 County Road, Suite 200, Southfield, MI 48075, Attn: Dan or Mary. (248) 252-2550

**RECEPTIONIST & DATA ENTRY**  
For local branch of New York based mortgage company. Excellent benefits. Fax resume to: (313) 420-0332 or call (248) 349-3000

**RECEPTIONIST**  
Downtown luxury high-rise apartment community. Full-time receptionist. General office/clerical skills a must. Candidate should be highly motivated with excellent people skills. Competitive salary & benefits. Please fax resume to: (313) 383-5006 before January 15th.

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**RECEPTIONIST**  
Duties include busy multi-line switchboard, alternating with file room responsibilities. Excellent compensation, printing statements and monitoring fax machines. Qualified candidates will please send resume with excellent telephone skills, an outgoing personality, be mature, responsible and dependable. Please fax resume to: (313) 383-5006 before January 15th.

**RECEPTIONIST**  
We offer a competitive salary and excellent benefit package. Qualified applicants please send resume to:  
Advanced Assembly Group  
Division of General Electric  
Industrial Technologies  
23640 Research Drive  
Farmington Hills, MI 48333-2821  
Attn: K. Sauter,  
Sales Administration Manager

**RECEPTIONIST/RECEPTIONIST**  
Seeking individual with maturity and pleasant personality. Must be able to handle multiple tasks in this fast paced environment. Will train on Microsoft.

**RECEPTIONIST**  
248-247-0000, Fax 248-247-0000  
Call/Phone Office: 248-247-0000

**RECEPTIONIST**  
Experienced Receptionist/Secretary, full or part-time. For fast-paced, multi-line office. Must have excellent communication skills, be organized, and able to handle multiple tasks. Send resume to: (313) 420-1332

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Full-time with benefits. Must have typing & telephone experience. Please call: (248) 471-0005  
The Livonia Mail

**RECEPTIONIST**  
Full-time, some evenings required. Health benefits, EOE. Send resume to: Evergreen, Attn: Eleanor, 9525 Woodward Rd., #200, Warren, MI 48090 or fax to (313) 281-7311

**RECEPTIONIST/GENERAL**  
Office tasks for female accounting office. 30-40 hrs., bookkeeping skills helpful. Fax resume to: (248) 541-2418

**RECEPTIONIST**  
General contractor in Farmington Hills looking for an outgoing person with experience on telephone, some computer skills, and a friendly personality. Send resume to: (248) 349-3000

**RECEPTIONIST**  
Good computer skills, typing skills, and a plus. Excellent benefits. Send resume to: P.O. Box 71023, Madison Heights, MI 48071

**RECEPTIONIST**  
Growing company in Farmington Hills needs full-time receptionist/secretary. Excellent phone skills and professional appearance a must. Some word processing required. MS Word and Outlook helpful. Fax resume to: (248) 349-3000

**RECEPTIONIST**  
Livonia office seeks an energetic, dependable, receptionist to greet guests and handle a busy switchboard while performing various clerical functions. Excellent communication skills and a friendly personality are a must. Send resume to: (248) 349-3000

**RECEPTIONIST**  
Multiple fast paced office, phone, mail, filing, light typing, call center. 20-30 hrs. Fax resume to: (248) 541-2418

**RECEPTIONIST NEEDED**  
Weekdays in real estate office. Job requires people skills as well as phone skills on multiple lines. Send resume to: (248) 349-3000

**RECEPTIONIST NEEDED FOR CPA FIRM**  
Full-time position. Send resume to: (248) 349-3000

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**RECEPTIONIST PLUS**  
Busy Livonia CPA firm has full-time Receptionist/Plus position available. Must have excellent communication skills, be organized, and able to handle multiple tasks. Send resume to: (248) 349-3000

**RECEPTIONIST**  
Position open with busy remodeling company located in Canton. Job duties include greeting customers, job costing, answering telephones, and handling a busy switchboard. Send resume to: (248) 349-3000

**RECEPTIONIST**  
Real Estate Company seeking a Receptionist/Secretary to handle front desk and assist Property Manager. Must have excellent communication skills, be organized, and able to handle multiple tasks. Send resume to: (248) 349-3000

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# Entertainment

The Eccentric

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Thursday, January 8, 1998

## FRIDAY



Twenty-two year old pianist Terrence Wilson performs with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra led by Neeme Jarvi, 8 p.m. at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. Tickets range from \$42 to \$17 (box seats, \$60). (313) 833-3700.

## SATURDAY

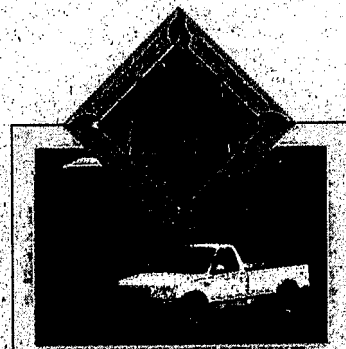


Sixteen of the world's best monster trucks go head to head at the U.S. Hot Rod Monster Jam at Pontiac Silverdome. Gates open 5:30 p.m., show starts 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$12 in advance, \$14 day of the show. (248) 645-6666.

## SUNDAY



University Musical Society presents Christopher Parkening in "A Celebration of Andres Segovia," 4 p.m. at Rackham Auditorium, Rackham Building, Ann Arbor. Tickets \$20-\$32, (734) 764-2538.



Hot Tip: See what's new on wheels at the 1998 International North American International Auto Show Saturday, Jan. 10, through Monday, Jan. 19, at Cobo Center, downtown Detroit. Tickets \$8 adults, \$4 seniors (65 and over), children (12 and under) free when accompanied by an adult, available at the door or call (248) 645-6666.

**Bluesy: Marvel Thunder** (Luray Cooper) is after the heart and guitar of Glory (Keesha Fleeth) in Meadow Brook Theatre's production of "Thunder Knocking on the Door."



What: "Thunder Knocking on the Door," a musical written by Keith Glover and directed by Gary Anderson. Original music by Keb' Mo', Anderson Edwards and Keith Glover.

When: Continues through Sunday, Feb. 1. Performances 8 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday; 2 p.m. Wednesday, Saturday & Sunday; 6:30 p.m. Sunday. Opening night - 6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 10.

Where: Meadow Brook Theatre, Wilson Hall on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester Hills.

Tickets: Range from \$18-\$26.50; (248) 377-3300; group sales, (248) 370-3316.

Cast: Marlon M. Bailey (Jaguar, Jr.), Charly Clark (Good Sister), Luray Cooper (Marvel Thunder), Herb Downer (Dregster), Keesha Fleeth (Glory).

STORY BY FRANK PROVENZANO

Feelin' like you've been steamrolled by a tyrannical boss, cast aside by a vindictive lover or left by the side of the road like a tossed leather shoe on the Southfield Freeway?

And that's a good day. Maybe feelin' jinxed by a sadistic god who throws wild curves and builds unsurmountable slippery slopes?

That ain't merely bad luck or divine diplomacy gone wrong. Them's the blues.

Showing a resilient heart, toe-tappin' rhythm and plenty of grit, Meadow Brook Theatre elevates the plight of the blues to a mesmerizing parable in its latest production, "Thunder Knocking on the Door," which opens for previews this Wednesday.

"It's really a love story with blues music," said Geoffrey Sherman, artistic director of Meadow Brook Theatre.

Through allegory and bluesy melody, however, the lessons wrought from the parable are clearly based in the present.

The fantasy bluesical, written by Alabamian Keith Glover with songs by Grammy Award-winner Keb' Mo', was originally commissioned by the Alabama Shakespeare Festival in conjunction with the Center Stage in Baltimore and the Dallas Theatre Center.

To enhance the fable, Meadow Brook's scenic designer Peter Hicks has devised an abstract set to include four on-stage blues musicians, who sit, strum and pick as easily as rocking on

## MEADOW BROOK'S bluesy parable resounds to the heavens

a front porch on a cool Alabama evening. With earth-tones and a roughhewn structure made from logs, Hicks has created a crossroads where the blues meets salvation.

While the play is still "in development" with songs and dialogue expected to be rewritten right up until opening night, Sherman and playwright Glover hope the musical will soon show signs of being on its way to a New York production.

### A common myth

The circumstances in "Thunder" take on a mythic dimension. It's a familiar story found in various cultures. Basically, "Thunder" is a parable about challenging the devil incarnate through a competitive game of who's better, with the earth-bound mortal at risk of losing his soul.

But foremost, "Thunder" is an entertaining love story, said Director Gary Anderson. Without melodrama or over-the-top

rhetoric, Anderson has shaped the work into melodic appreciation of blues music. It's not, he said, a play strictly about the African-American experience.

"Thunder" begins with the legendary accomplishments of the tale's patron saint, blues guitarist Jaguar Dupree, who once "outlicked" the supernatural Marvel Thunder.

Time has gone by, but the bitterness over being outlicked has hardly diminished for Marvel Thunder.

So, Thunder challenges the next best thing to the late Dupree. He throws down the gauntlet to Dupree's son, Jaguar Dupree Jr., and daughter, Glory, a sightless slick-playing bluesmith who's part Blind Lemon Jefferson and part howling Sadie McKinney.

Junior, whose blues are more bravado than inspiring, is easy pickings for the cagey Thunder. In the dual of "my blues are badder than yours," Thunder easily wins the guitar that

Jaguar Dupree made for his son.

But if it's easy, it ain't the blues.

So, Thunder aims for Glory. Perhaps a case where the metaphor is just a bit too obvious. But then, maybe, the banal doesn't matter if the blues ring true.

It's time to let their blues do the talkin'. And Glory's got some case.

But first, the wager with Thunder has to inspire the kind of anxiety needed to fuel any deep-seated blues. The deal: If Glory wins, she regains her sight and Thunder turns to stone. If she loses, well, having the blues is going to seem like a holiday.

Ultimately, Meadow Brook hopes the Thunder-Glory confrontation will inspire audiences to slap a knee, bite a dog, kick the devil and sing, "Now I'm gonna give you my blues."

And when the catharsis known as blues music has run its course another message may linger.

### Other side of the street

"Thunder" shows our audience what happens on the other side of the street," said Sherman, who served as artistic director at the Hudson Guild Theatre, an Off Broadway playhouse in New York City before joining Meadow Brook last season.

The "other side" of the street isn't across the subdivision.

Please see **BLUESY, C2**

## MUSIC

# T-Bonist Bugs Beddow blows the blues

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO  
STAFF WRITER

Trombone players Glenn Miller and Tommy Dorsey made music history. Fellow t-bonist/flutist Doug "Bugs" Beddow wanted to make an impression as well when forming the Bugs Beddow Band.

"I saw Bob Webber, leader of the (Detroit blues band) Regular Boys and I think that's great, a trombone player leading a band. I wanted to leave a mark. Glenn Miller and Tommy Dorsey, they were leaders of their bands and they were trombone players," Beddow said.

The hard-working five-piece band is making its mark locally with the trombone-driven originals, cooking covers, and the comedic interludes and party atmosphere of its live shows.

"Our style is trombone-driven party blues with plenty of vocals,

horns and dancing. Everybody in the band sings lead. I pass the spotlight around quite often," Beddow said.

Bugs Beddow Band shows revolve around humor. Executive producer and marketing director Gary Quill wears a Bugs Beddow T-shirt and strolls around shows selling the band's six CDs. When the burly Quill hits the floor, the band yells out "We're giving them away," pauses and says "for money."

The Bugs Beddow Band's shows include originals and covers such as "Leave Your Hat On" by Randy Newman, "Poontango" by Mojo Nixon, "One Way Out" by Allman Bros., "Cheap Sunglasses" by ZZ Top, and "Unchain My Heart" by Ray Charles, all of which are found on its latest CD "Bone Appetit."

Tour: Live at the 1997 Mid-Michigan Blues Festival. The album,

Beddow's sixth, was recorded in Fenton for the syndicated radio show "House of Blues."

"We didn't intend (for the recording) to be an album at the time. The band was playing with a lot of gusto, and that's the essence of the band. But you hear the band now, and we blow the album away. The band is so tight. That and the timing of the comedic interludes are a lot better now."

The "Bone Appetit Tour" CD is available through Bugs Beddow's website, <http://www.bugsbeddow.com>, Harmony House stores and Big Whale CDs, 2859 Orchard Lake Road (between Cass Elizabeth Lake and Middlebelt roads) in Keego Harbor.

The Orchard Lake-based Bugs Beddow Band wrapped up its 1997

When: Bugs Beddow Band  
When: Performances support of its "Gimme Five Tour"  
When: 8:30 p.m.-1:30 a.m. Friday, Jan. 16-Saturday, Jan. 17  
Where: 8000 Street Blues, 8 N. Saginaw, Pontiac  
How: There's a \$2 cover charge. Only those 21 and older will be admitted. Call (248) 834-7900 for more information.  
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"Gimme Five:" Doug "Bugs" Beddow, center, describes the sound of the Bugs Beddow Band as "trombone-driven party blues."



# Hoffman gets political in satirical 'Wag the Dog'

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"Wag the Dog," the new political satire from Barry Levinson, works on the premise that Washington spin doctors have such power over the masses that they can stage a fake war. You'll likely view the whole picture with a smug smile on your face, laughing to yourself at how the American people can be so easily duped.

But, when you get right down to it, "Wag the Dog" uses its own backhanded method to make an audience look silly. Like any good conspiracy theory, the movie gets you to deny the obvious (too many people are

involved to make this plan work) and swallow it hook, line and sinker.

The hook here is that, just two weeks before an election, the President has been caught with his pants down with a girl scout. Instead of bringing him in to face the music, a special crisis team stalls his return from overseas, stages a conflict with an innocent Albania, and successfully diverts the nation's fickle attention until election day.

Whether or not the President did it is irrelevant. For Conrad Bean (Robert DeNiro), the first rule of the media is: if it's on television, it's true, at least as far as the American people are concerned. So, with the help of Hollywood producer Stanley Motta (Dustin Hoffman), he creates his own television, fabricating heart-wrenching devastation

and even penning a national theme song.

Despite its excellent ensemble cast, "Wag the Dog" belongs to Dustin Hoffman, whose flamboyant producer stages the whole thing for the sheer challenge. The only problem is: Stanley never gets completely comfortable with the production's required secrecy, since he feels that his contributions in Hollywood (there is no Oscar for producing, after all) have never been fully appreciated.

Hoffman has been treading the political waters lately, from the reluctant title character of "Hero" to the TV news anchor in the recent "Mad City," both similar tales of media manipulation. Despite all his slickness and shallowness, you can't help but admire the producer's God-like ability to control the elements, both physical and political.

When the President thinks that a speech Stanley has written is too corny, the producer calls in a group of 30 White House secretaries to listen. They leave the office in tears and Stanley is on a roll again.

Director Levinson wisely shows the President only from the back or side. After all, "Wag the Dog" is about what happens behind the scenes with his savvy staff.

This gives some of Hollywood's best character actors a chance to shine, including Anne Heche as an uptight press secretary, William H. Macy as a CIA operative, sideburn-sporting Denis Leary as an expert in making money from product tie-ins. Even Willie Nelson shows up as a hound dog-loving, pickup-driving country music singer.

The movie also provides

Robert De Niro with one of his best recent roles, as a White House trouble shooter who pulls the strings. De Niro's Conrad employs the same deadpan style that has been his trademark lately, quietly orchestrating how much control to give to the wildly creative Stanley. Levinson (along with a stable of screenwriters, including David Mamet) make a mistake late in the film by wrapping things up much too patly. But even then I'm not complaining since Levinson (who started disregarding an audience's staying power with "Rain Man," "Avalon" and "Bugsy") has learned to make a movie under two hours again.

Even here, however, he starts to lose speed, especially when Woody Harrelson shows up. His lame "improvising" as the psychotic prison inmate-turned-

fake-war hero only makes you appreciate Hoffman and De Niro all the more. Unfortunately, movies like "Wag the Dog" belong back in the days of "Dr. Strangelove" and "The Mouse that Roared," when cynicism wasn't nearly so chic. Despite the sometimes nasty slant, it comes off almost old-fashioned.

Press materials loudly trumpet the movie's credentials as an "independent" project (how it was made for a modest budget on a 29-day shooting schedule), but this is a dupe too. Even at his most independent and quirky, Levinson is still just another Hollywood big shot coyly manipulating the masses.

John Monaghan welcomes your calls and comments. To leave John a voice mail message, dial (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, mailbox 1866.

## Winter is perfect time for sampling local art scene

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The timing of the New Year serves a resolution to support the arts better than any other. How can you diet with all those leftovers tempting you? And look out the window — are you really going to jog in that?

On the other hand, winter's the prime season for indoor entertainment. Hey,

this is Michigan — what choice do we have? It's indoors or hypothermia. And the metro area's performance venues oblige our need for diversion with a full slate of offerings. And at *Backstage Pass*, we're resolute in our commitment to give you all the information you need to get out of the theaters, galleries and museums to support the visual and performing arts in Southeast Michigan.

Tonight *Backstage* theater correspondent Blair Anderson will host an in-studio performance from "A Closer Walk with Patsy

Cline," running at the 7th House in downtown Pontiac. The show follows the life of Patsy Cline as she rises through the male-dominated ranks of country music of the '50s to become the genre's first female star — a superstar, really, whose music and influence transcended genre limitations.

Blair says the show includes 20 of Patsy's best songs. "In any music review there's some kind of device that strings together musical selections. In this case it's a radio tribute where a DJ

recounts the musical accomplishments of Patsy Cline."

The DJ is played by Tim Pryor, an original member of Detroit's Second City cast and a gifted stand-up comedian. Blair describes Tim's character as "the cohesive glue. He appears not only as the DJ but also as a stand-up comedian performing at three venues: the Grand Ole Opry, a casino in Las Vegas and Carnegie Hall. At one point he's playing Sheky Green, with one liners, and he adapts so nicely and interacts so well with the audience."

Susan Arnold surprised Blair with her vocal talents in the title role. "I always knew she was an accomplished actor, but really very impressive are the singing qualities she brings to the role. It's her rendition of Patsy Cline, and Susan really captures her — the mannerisms and rich country flavor."

Blair's happy to see theater back in downtown Pontiac. "It's good to see live theater in 7th House again. It's a perfect venue for cabaret type shows. It's a really nice space, and refresh-

ments are just a few steps away." What about the old Strand Theatre right across the street? "Jim Moran, director of 'A Closer Walk,' did some things at the Strand, but it's been dormant of late. It'd be good to see that space open again, too."

Also tonight, our pop culture shaman Lex Kuhne hosts a segment on local artist Tom Thewes. One more important note for the New Year, we have a new time slot on Detroit Public Television. Our new air times are Thursday nights at midnight, rebroadcast at 7:30 p.m.

## Bugs from page C1

"Bone Appetit Tour" with a "Blue Year's Eve" celebration at the Kingsley Inn in Bloomfield Hills.

This year's tour has been dubbed the "Gimme Five Tour." The logo is an oval with bright yellow streaks, white stars, and a manipulated drawing of Mickey Mouse's gloved hand.

"Since it's the 'Gimme Five' tour, we gave him extra fingers." The 1999 tour will be called "Bone Voyage Tour."

### Elusive past

Beddow refused to talk about his or his band's past saying "we're all active members of the witness protection program. We all look forward to the future."

Sources say he was born May 17, 1953, in Detroit to parents Bill and Peg. He picked up the trombone in 1962 and the flute seven years later. Beddow grew up in the "poor section" of Franklin and graduated from Birmingham Groves High School in 1970.

Although his parents preferred that he become a dentist, Beddow earned a bachelor's degree in music education from Northern Michigan University in 1975. Upon graduation, he served as the head of the music department at Leland Public Schools for the next two years.

During the late 1970s, he performed with the "party funk R&B" band Newt and the Sala-

manders. Beddow also spent time filling in for musicians who supported Maynard Ferguson.

In 1982, he formed a jazz band and cut an album with jazz guitarist Earl Klugh. Accolades came in as Beddow earned Detroit Music Awards for the best trombonist, and his band won best jazz album of 1992 for "Yuda Man."

After 12 years in jazz bands, Beddow changed his tune and dove into the blues.

"People can always connect with singers and words. (With jazz) there's too much sameness, not enough variety," said Beddow, who appeared in the 1992 Oliver Stone film "Hoffa."

"I have five guys to work with.

I get every ounce of sound out of them."

The band's sound has given it the opportunity to open for Buckwheat Zydeco in front of 60,000 people at the Dearborn Homecoming Festival Aug. 2, 1997, and to share the stage with Lonnie Brooks, Spyro Gira, Boz Scaggs, Eddie Money and Robert Cray.

For the last three baseball seasons, Beddow has played the national anthem at Tiger Stadium. The band has also performed as part of the OC4 Cable TV Awards for Southeastern Michigan since the show's inception 13 years ago.

For 1998, the Bugs Beddow

Band already has 2/3 of the year booked but "we've left some options open," he said.

He and his band — guitarist/vocalist Jason Hinz, saxophonist/vocalist James Morse, drummer/vocalist Jim Pryor, and electric and string bassist/vocalist Don Turner — are hoping to perform in Belgium, Aruba and Australia this year.

"We met some people who were involved in the Detroit auto show (the North American International Auto Show) last year. They hired the band for a private party and they want to bring us to Belgium," he said.

"None of them may pan out. Those are just things on the

burner. Money is always a factor."

The band is going to spend the next six months "bashing out" new songs that will be included on the "Gimme Five" album, which will be recorded in June. While "Bone Appetit" was all covers, "Gimme Five" will include all original songs.

"It will have the signature Beddow sense of humor. There's nothing really deep there. We play concisely, accurately and full of feeling. We're by no means a traditional blues band. We're the blues band of the '90s."

"We like to make people laugh and dance. We accomplish both of those at shows."

## Bluesy from page C1

Rather it's across perceived racial and cultural boundaries. Yet clearly, this isn't a play writ-

ten by a leading African-American playwright such as Pearl Cleage, Eugene Lee or Shay

Youngblood.

Without political rhetoric or racial overtones, "Thunder" offers an entertaining plea, rather than didacticism, said Sherman.

"Prejudice is rooted in ignorance," he said. "Maybe we can offer theater as a way to educate, to get people to open up by understanding where this kind of music comes from."

After watching a production of "Thunder" last year at Center

Stage in Baltimore, Sherman studied the script, then called Gary Anderson, founder and executive director of Plovershare Theatre Company, a small theater group with an exclusive African-American focus in its drama repertoire.

Meadow Brook attempted to collaborate with Plovershare on August Wilson's "The Piano Lesson" early last season, and finally partnered with the Detroit-based theater group on the auda-

cious "I Am A Man," written by Oyam O (Charles Gordon), a Michigan-based playwright who is also on the faculty in the University of Michigan Drama Department.

Based on garbage workers strike, "I Am A Man" was unmistakably confrontational about race and social justice. The play was also a shock and surprise to Meadow Brook's typically reserved audience, many of whom expected the standard

fare of Neil Simon, Lillian Hellman and Arthur Miller.

During the run, Sherman received hate mail. He also noted, however, that he received many letters supporting his decision to produce plays of diverse contemporary playwrights.

In two years, Meadow Brook has made major strides. It wasn't until last year's production of Wilson's "The Piano Lesson" that the theater presented its first drama by an African-American.

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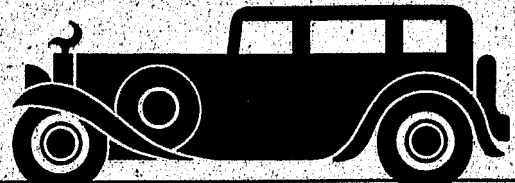








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CORSICA, 1990 - V-6, \$2,890. 248-543-9913

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LUMINA 1996 Dark Green: Undercoated & Scotch guard. 733-9049

LUMINA 1993, Euro Sport, V-6, Black, Loaded, 79,000 miles, 1 owner. \$6,900. (313) 420-0070

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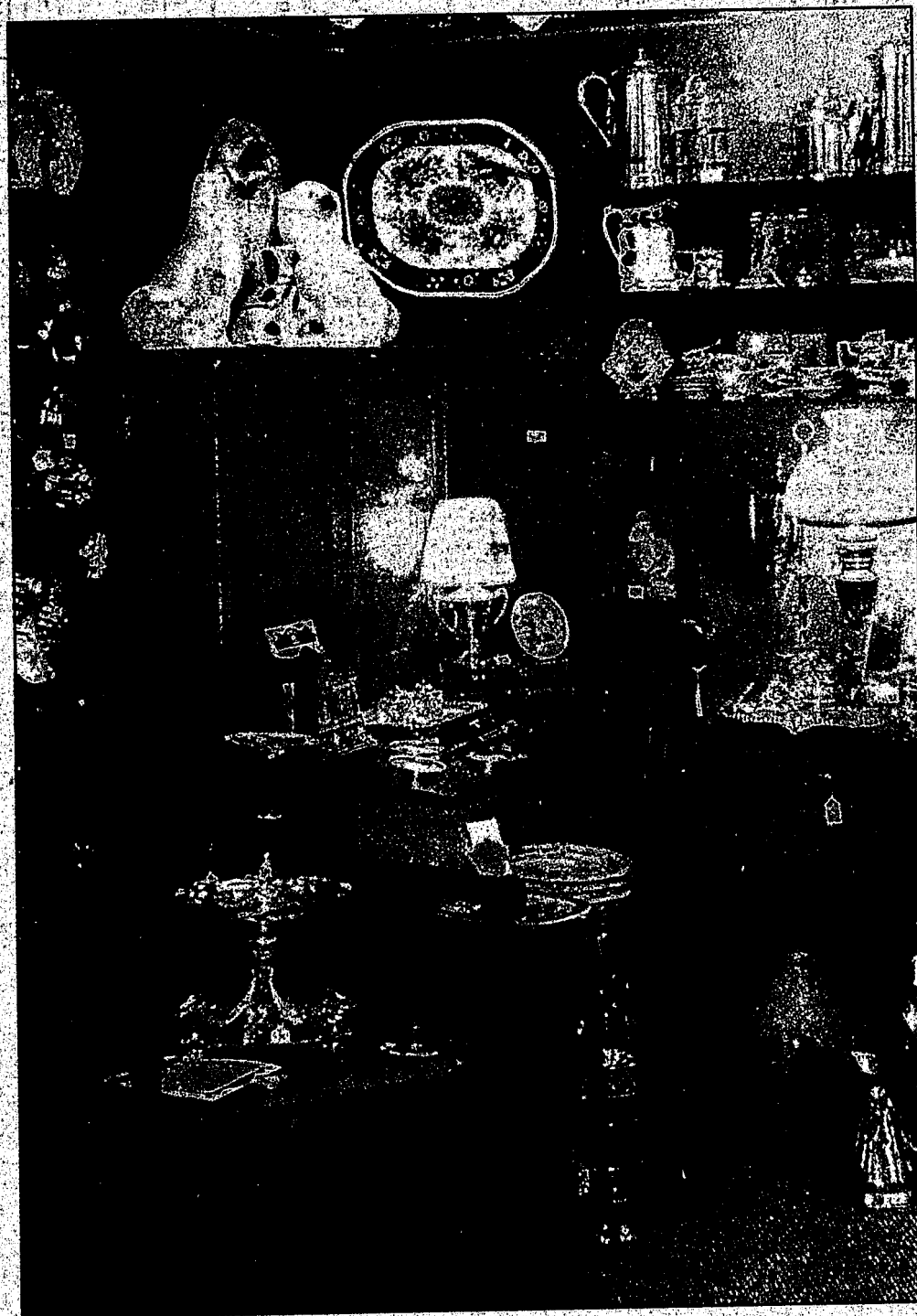
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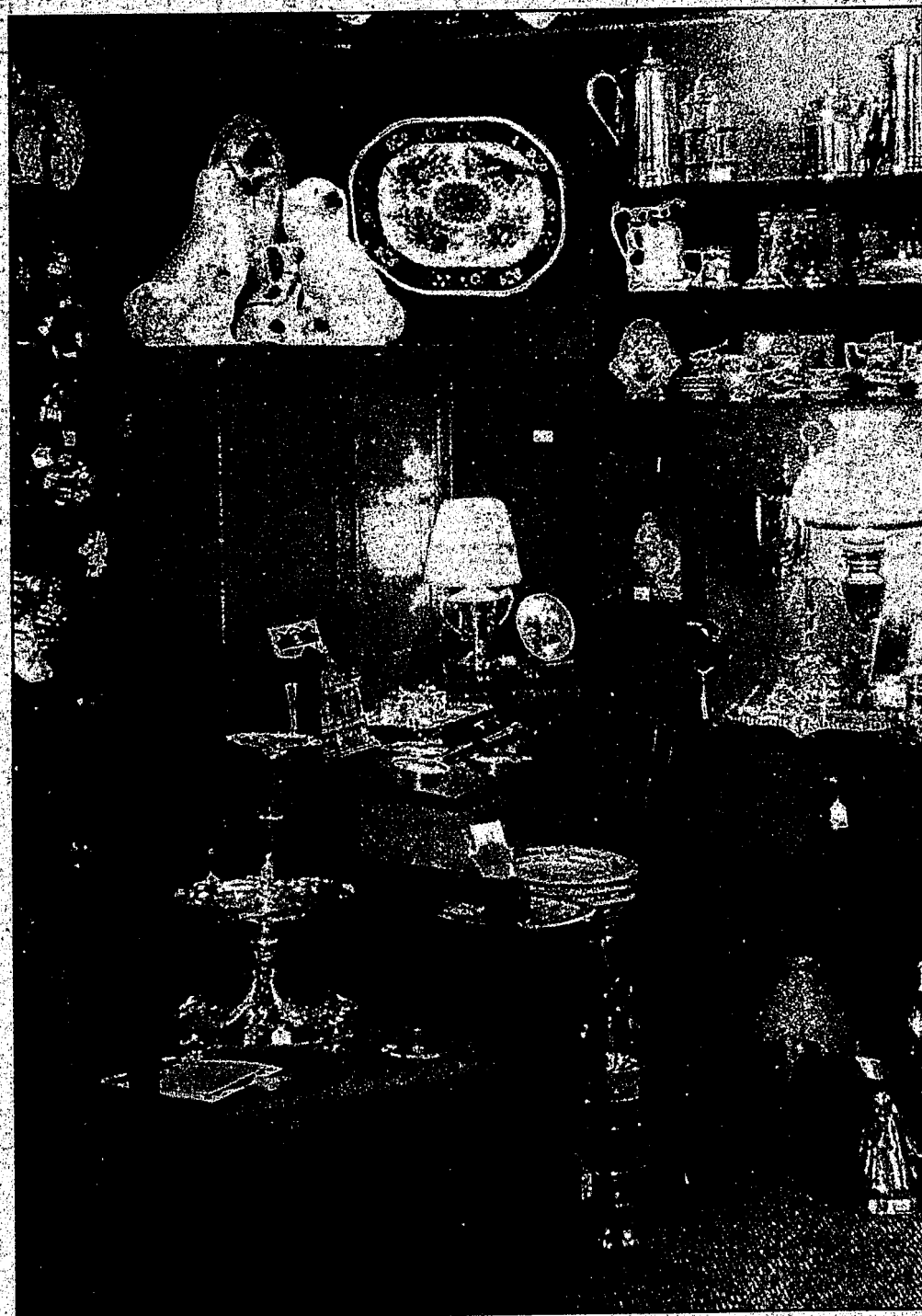
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appliance doctor

# Knowing law will protect consumers



JOE GAGNON

ing home owner.

In my involvement as a consumer advocate, I can't help every consumer who comes to me with a problem. I wish I could and this is a measure I can use to help many. This column and the next will describe the act, word for word, just the way it was written. I hope you will cut it out and make copies for you and your friends so this new year, the bad guys will have just a bit harder time in ripping you off.

Prohibited practices and examples of the Michigan Consumer Protection Act in its entirety:

Public Act 331 of 1976, effective April 1, 1977, is the Michigan Consumer Protection Act. It is one of the toughest acts written in this country to protect consumers against the unethical who take millions of dollars from the unsuspect-

1. Causing a probability of confusion or misunderstanding as the source of sponsorship, approval or certification of goods or services.

Example: A mail order company uses a government sounding name to imply government sanction.

2. Using deceptive representations or deceptive designations of geographic origins in connection with goods or services.

Example: A company labels wine, made in the United States with U.S. grown grapes, with the words "French wine."

3. Representing that goods or services have sponsorship, approval, characteristics, ingredients, uses, benefits or qualities which they do not have or that a person has sponsorship, approval status, affiliation or connection which he does not have.

Example: A business falsely claims to have the endorsement of the Chamber of Commerce or Better Business Bureau.

4. Representing that goods are new if they are deteriorated, altered, reconditioned, used or second hand.

Example: A tire dealer sells retreaded tires as new.

5. Representing that goods or services are of a particular standard, quality or grade, or that goods are of a particular style or model, if they are of another.

Example: An appliance store sells a 1990 model television as a current model.

6. Disparaging the goods, services, business or reputation of another by false or misleading representation of fact.

Example: A business falsely claims it can undersell competitors because the competition can't buy in as large a volume from wholesalers.

7. Advertising or representing goods or services with intent not to dispose of those goods or services as advertised or represented.

Example: A department store advertises a low priced sewing machine with the intent to switch consumers to a higher priced model.

The Michigan Consumer Protection Act will continue next week.

Joe Gagnon, the Appliance Doctor, will answer your questions about maintaining and repairing large appliances. Gagnon is president of Cammack Appliances in Garden City and does a weekly radio program on WJR-AM. He is author of "First Aid from the Appliance Doctor," available at area bookstores.

## Clarification

The toll-free number for the Sears Consumer Technical Advice Line, featured in the Appliance Doctor column Dec. 18, is (800) 469-4663.



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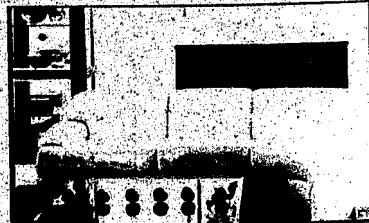
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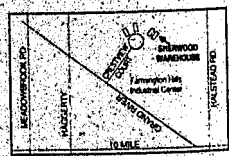
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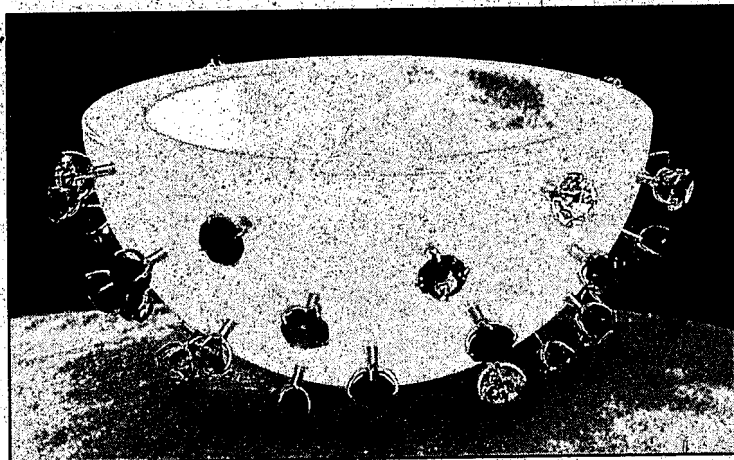
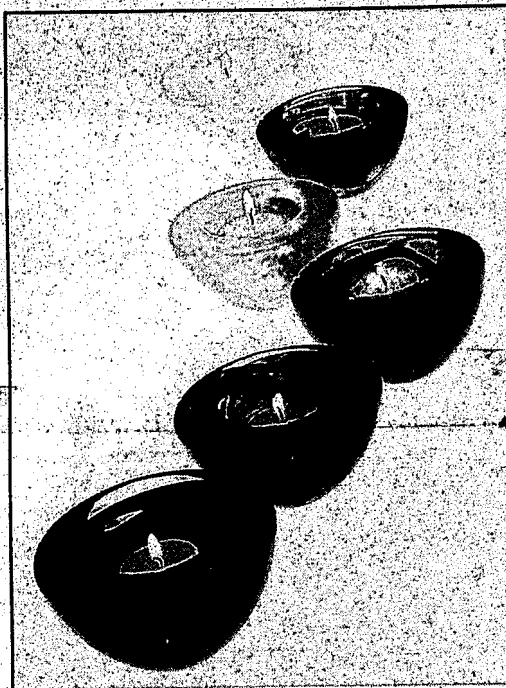
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### Glass act

#### Colorful candles:

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### Dazzling

**Jewel tones:** Swarovski's "Bowl Appollo" is a gem of an accessory idea for someone who collects fine crystal. It retails for \$650 at Heslop's store at the Novi Town Center. Call (248) 349-8090.

**AT HOME, Mary Klemic, editor (248) 901-2569**  
We are looking for your ideas for At Home and for the Marketplace roundup of new ideas.

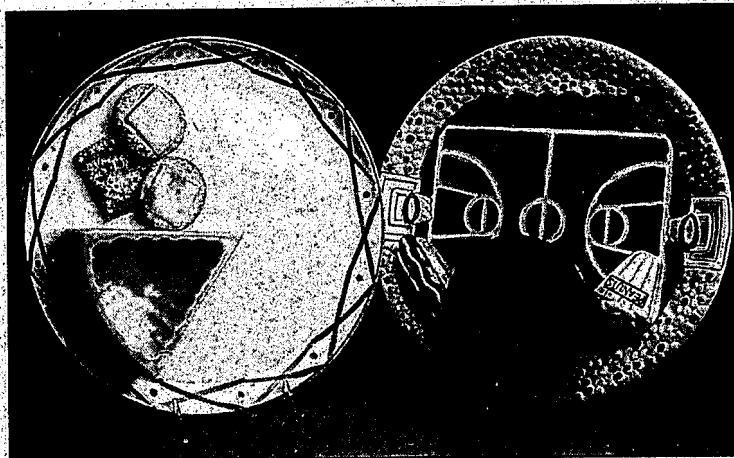
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### Serve with verve

**Platter patterns:** Heslop's offers a variety of handpainted pieces to help with parties. The decorative plate at left has ample room for snacks while a carved-out wedge of cheese holds your favorite dip. With the basketball chip and dip platter at right, there's no need to wait until half-time to bring out the snacks - serve them on the court. Equipped with a basketball boat for your favorite accompaniment to chips or crackers, this platter is a great way to keep your guests "in the game." The plates are available for \$24.95 at Heslop's 11 Michigan stores, including those at the Merri-Five Plaza in Livonia (call (313) 522-1850), MeadowBrook Village in Rochester Hills (call (248) 375-0823), Oakland Mall in Troy (call (248) 589-1433) and Orchard Mall in West Bloomfield (call (248) 737-8080).



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garden spot

## Aloe plant helps in many ways



MARTY FIGLEY

It's generally a rather homely plant, but Aloe, a member of the Liliaceae (Lily) family, might be one of the best plants to grow in your home.

There are more than 300 species in this family, but the one most familiar is Aloe vera, also known as *A. barbadensis*. A pot of the plant setting in a convenient place is always ready to soothe the skin for various ailments, although the plant needs to be 2 or 3 years old before it is ready to yield its healing gel.

Aloe has been used as a healing herb for centuries; Dioscorides, the Greek historian, recorded this 2,000 years ago. Folklore has touted the plant for years, and the scientific community has found that the gel of aloe has anesthetic, antibacterial, and tissue restorative properties. It heals burns from flame, sun and radiation; often the tissue regenerates with no scarring. It's also good for chapped skin, eczema and Poison Ivy rash.

Dr. James Duke has reported that, in folk medicine, aloe has been used often to treat skin cancer.

We also find, in many countries, women rub the gel on their faces to keep skin fresh and supple. Legend tells us that Cleopatra massaged the gel on her skin, and Josephine, wife of Napoleon, used it mixed with milk as a lotion for her complexion.

If you wish to try aloe for this purpose, the gel alone may cause the skin to dry, so it's best to mix some vitamin E with the gel, or use a moisturizer.

It is also reported that it has been successfully used to clear acne and help with oily skin and dandruff problems. Many commercial products include aloe in their formulas.

To use this herb, cut the outermost leaves first. Slice a leaf down the middle and remove the gel with a spoon. It doesn't stay fresh very long, but you might keep it refrigerated for a day or so if you harvest an excess amount from the leaf. A cut leaf can also be split open and put on the burn or sore and secured with a bandage, if necessary.

Aloes, natives of southern Africa and Madagascar, grow in a large range of sizes, from very short stems to 30 feet tall. Colors range from dark green to pale blue gray; some are patterned with



Marty Figley

**Aloe there: Keep a pot of Aloe vera in your home as an excellent aid for skin problems.**

speckles or stripes. Most have "teeth" along the edges that can be sharp. In the correct environment, their tubular blooms occur on spikes and can be orange, yellow or red.

They are perennials that grow readily in zone 10, so here in Michigan they need to be grown as house plants, although they can be set outside during the summer.

Be aware of setting a house plant out in the direct sun without letting it get acclimated to its new home, because the pretty green leaves will turn a pale yellow color. It can tolerate some shade; a half day or more of sun is fine.

Aloes like a fertile soil with some limestone, but they will also do fine in soil with low nutrients. They're not too particular, but good drainage is essential. Coarse material added to the soil will help in this regard.

Grow the plants in a very sunny window if possible, although they adapt well to reduced light levels. Fertilize with fish emulsion at half strength twice a month in spring and summer; don't in fall and winter.

Being succulents, they don't need to be watered very often. I believe most people "kill them with kindness" by overwatering. In the spring and summer, water when the soil is moderately

See Figley, page D5





## focus on photography

# Put photography on resolution list



MONTE NAGLER

When you make your list of resolutions, don't forget to include your photography.

The beginning of the year is the best time to change batteries in all your equipment and make sure everything is in good working

order. Brush up on your knowledge of all your camera gear, too.

Make that all-important resolution to take more pictures in 1998. Remember, the more you shoot, the more you'll gain. Branch out into new areas by including shots of subjects different from what you're used to. And get in the frame of mind that you're out to make photographs, not just take snapshots. There's a big difference.

You remember that dazzling sunset shot you took last summer or that spontaneous picture of Junior with a mischievous look on his face? There's no better time than now to have an enlargement made, matted and framed and up on the wall. Begin to live with some of your favorite shots and you'll be inspired to go out and take more.

Been procrastinating on insurance coverage for your camera equipment? How about resolving this year to check into an insurance policy?

Make a resolution to take a photography class. There is an abundance of classes in the metropolitan area with qualified instructors. Check into camera



**Horn of plenty:** Resolve to shoot pictures of different types of subjects. This Monte Nagler photo was taken in New Orleans' French Quarter.

clubs, too. They'll welcome you with camaraderie and a willingness to share photographic knowledge.

Resolve to take in more photography exhibits this year, look at more photography books, and closely study and analyze photos you see every day. In short, begin in earnest to look at photographs! You'll be pleasantly surprised at how much you will learn.

And finally, resolve to bundle up and head outdoors to capture some of winter's fantastic scenes on film. You'll be glad you did!

To all readers and friends, best personal wishes for a happy, healthy and photo-filled 1998!

## Figley from page D4

dry. But in the winter, allow it to dry completely between waterings.

These plants do very well with crowded roots, and, if the soil is tight, they can survive many years in the same pot. If repotting is necessary, do it in late winter or early spring.

To increase your supply of plants, remove offshoots that appear around the base of the plant when they are a couple of inches tall. The easiest way is to remove the whole plant from the pot, separate the suckers and repot them.

Generally there is no problem with pests and diseases, but brown scale and mealybugs may be a problem. Mealy-

bugs suck the sap from the plant, which creates little white tufts of waxy wool. These critters can be controlled by swabbing thoroughly with alcohol.

There are several aloes suitable for pots; some are *A. variegata*, *A. humilis* and *A. breuifolia*; larger ones include *A. barbadensis*, *A. ciliaris*, *A. striata* and *A. arborescens*.

Marty Figley is an advanced master gardener based in Birmingham. You can leave her a message by dialing (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then her mailbox number, 1859. Her fax number is (248) 644-1314.

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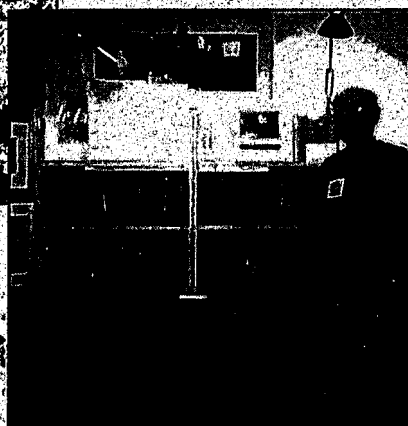
**French connection:** Monica Kemper (seated) of Solomon Suchard Antiques offered 18th, 19th and early 20th century French pottery at last year's St. James Antiques Show in Birmingham.



**Memories:** House of Memories of Rochester Hills offered a variety of antique items.



**Fine fabrics:** Christine Crockett of The Crockett Collection presented the Ann Arbor dealer's antique lace, linen and textiles.



**Literally speaking:** James Babcock, Bookseller featured rare and unusual books, maps and documents and autographs.

# Antiques show warms up winter days

BY MARY KLEMIC  
At Home Editor

Start the new year with a look at the old—old as in antiques.

Mark a spot on your new 1998 calendar this month to visit the St. James Antiques Show, taking place Friday-Saturday, Jan. 16-17, at St. James Episcopal Church, 355 W. Maple in downtown Birmingham.

This year's event, the ninth annual, will feature 27 dealers from around Michigan and Ohio. Most of the proceeds benefit the Mariners Inn homeless shelter and treatment center in Detroit.

The antiques show is a special answer to any cold January days.

"There's a warmth about it," chairman Virginia Johnston said of the show. "The dealers are very open and friendly, very knowledgeable."

Parish volunteers for the event are enthusiastic, and work on the event all year, she said. Dealers come in the Tuesday and Wednesday before the show to set up in time for a preview party.

Show hours are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Jan. 16 and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Jan. 17. Admission is \$5. Features include an imaginatively decorated interior courtyard, and a cafe offering hearty food and snacks.

The preview party—which includes food, wine and first option to buy available items—is scheduled 6:30-9 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 15.

Tickets are \$40 and reservations are preferred. For preview party or other information, call the church at (248) 644-0820.

Items offered include furniture, quilts, Quimper pottery, beaded purses, Limoges porcelain, glass, jewelry, carpets, lace and textiles, tribal art, paintings and sculpture, china, silver, brass, copper, majolica, dolls, lamps, books, maps and documents.

"We love the show," said Pauline Work of Pauline Work Antiques of Farmington Hills, which has been in the event every year and offers fine jewelry from 1890 to 1940. "The ladies of the parish are just super, so nice."

Among the other participating dealers this year are Dede and Jim Taylor Antiques, Dancing Cat Antiques, East West Connection, Toy Closet and Edna Tillman and Leonard Berry of Birmingham; Shelley Barr Antiques, Kitty Davenport Oriental Rugs, Antique Look Ltd. and Donna Ammerman Antiques of Bloomfield Hills; House of Memories of Rochester Hills; Kristen Catto Armstrong of Troy; Harriett Masters Antiques and Wally's Clocks of Royal Oak; Toothill and McBean and The Crockett Collection of Ann Arbor; Accents of Grosse Pointe; Reflection of You of Midland; Stirling Hopkins of Dearborn; Yours Very Jewelry of Lapeer; Don Butkovich of Port Huron; Alice Dewey Antiques of Temperance; Big Beaver Antiques of Traverse City; James Babcock, Bookseller of Harsens Island; and Melrose Antiques of Washington.



**On the cover:** Dede and Jim Taylor Antiques of Birmingham featured American and New England furniture and accessories at the St. James Antiques Show last year.



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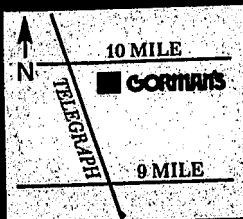
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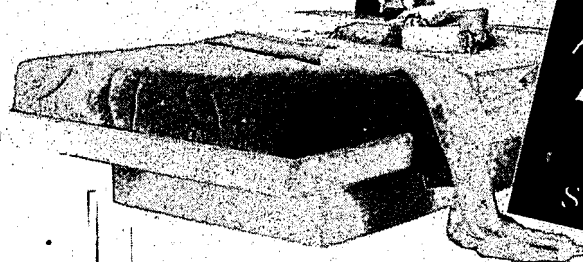
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# Friends help in keeping resolution



RUTH MOSSOK JOHNSTON

My 1998 resolution is to take off the extra pounds I've been carrying around for the past year, and keep them off.

What's my plan of action? Moderation with a good dose of sensibility! In addition, I plan to increase my vegetable and fruit intake — easy enough to do — sticking with it, another issue. Many of you are caught in the same yo-yo situation.

With this in mind, plan an event with a group of friends to actually accomplish your new "knock off a few holiday pounds resolutions."

Begin by planning a day to get together and plotting out your plan of action. Have each friend invited bring along reduction ideas, some new low-fat cookbooks, and a recipe for a low-calorie, delicious dish. If your event

includes lunch — have them bring along the actual dish they will be sharing in recipe form. You might also want to ask them to bring along a new favorite prepared nutritious food item to share with the group.

If you would like to keep your friends' involvement light — prepare some fat-free or reduced-fat treats for lunch, and have some new cookbooks out for them to browse through. Here are some favorites of mine:

"Vegetarian Cooking for Healthy Living — An Ultra Low-Fat Nutrition Guide for Living Well," co-authored by Mary Ter Meer and Jamie Gates Galeana. Jamie is coming into town to do a "Let's Do Tea" at Vic's World Class Market, 42875 Grand River, Novi — 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 8, and 1:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 9. Galeana is a registered Dietitian and licensed in the state of Florida — all are welcome to come and join her for tea, treats from her book, a round table discussion on nutrition, and book signing. There is no charge for this event — it might be a fun way to start off or end

your own gathering.

"Vegetarian Cooking for Healthy Living" has some wonderful recipes, and was just named one of the top 10 cookbooks in the healthy cooking category.

"Prevention's The Healthy Cook — The Ultimate Illustrated Kitchen Guide to Great Low-Fat Food" is another a new book on the market. This book published by Rodale Press, Inc., 1997 (\$27.95) edited by Matthew Hoffman and David Joachim, features "450 Homestyle Recipes and Hundreds of Time-Saving Tips."

Other favorites of late in this category are Williams-Sonoma's Healthy Series specifically "Healthy First Courses" and "Healthy Side Dishes" produced by Weldon Owen Inc., which can of course be purchased at the Williams-Sonoma stores and "Healthy Cooking for people who don't have time to Cook" by Jeanne Jones published by Rodale Press, 1997 available at your local book shop.

From "Prevention's The Healthy

Cook — The Ultimate Illustrated Kitchen Guide to Great Low-Fat Food"

## VEGETABLE STRUDEL

Yield: 4 Servings

- 2 tablespoons finely chopped shallots or onions
- 1 cup sliced shiitake or cremini mushrooms
- 1/4 cup dry sherry or vegetable broth
- 1 1/2 teaspoons lemon juice
- 1/2 teaspoon dried tarragon
- 1 cup vegetable broth
- 1 tablespoon cornstarch
- 1 leek (white part only), thinly sliced
- 1 medium sweet red pepper, chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 medium sweet potato, cubed and steamed until tender
- 1 cup broccoli florets, steamed until crisp-tender
- 1/2 cup shredded reduced-fat Swiss cheese
- 1/4 cup grated reduced-fat Parmesan cheese
- Salt and ground black pepper
- 4 sheets phyllo dough, thawed
- 1 tablespoon melted margarine (optional)
- Fresh tarragon or parsley sprigs

Coat a medium saucepan with no-stick spray and warm over medium heat. Add the shallots or onions and the mushrooms. Sauté for 2 minutes. Stir in the sherry or broth, lemon juice and tarragon. Bring to a boil. Reduce the heat to low, cover and simmer for 2 minutes. Uncover and cook over medium heat until mixture is almost dry.

Add 3/4 cup of the broth and bring to a boil. Dissolve the cornstarch in the remaining 1/4 cup broth and stir into the boiling mixture. Cook and stir for 1 minute, or until thickened. Remove from the heat, set aside and keep warm.

Coat a large no-stick skillet with no-stick spray. Warm over medium heat until hot. Add the leeks, red peppers and garlic. Sauté for 3 to 5 minutes, or until the peppers are tender. Add the sweet potatoes, broccoli and reserved mushroom sauce. Cook over medium heat for 1 minute, or until hot. Stir in the Swiss and Parmesan. Season to taste with the salt and pepper. Remove from the heat and set aside.

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. Coat a no-stick baking sheet with no-stick spray.

On a clean work surface, lay down 1 sheet of phyllo with the long end facing you. Coat generously with no-stick spray. Top with as second sheet and coat with no-stick spray. Repeat with remaining 2 sheets of phyllo.

Spoon the vegetable filling in a 4" strip along the long end of the prepared phyllo.

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## PATCHWORK DISPLAY

There has been a great deal of interest in patchwork quilts. In recent years, these textile artworks make for great decorative elements in styles ranging from Early American to eclectic. When hanging quilts on walls, hang them much as you would a painting or print. That is, locate the work just below eye level, use clip-style rings and a sturdy metal drapery rod to hang the quilt. This small-scale hardware virtually disappears into the design of the quilt to make it the focus of attention. And, allowing the quilt to hang most of the way to the floor helps to blend it sufficiently with overlapping furniture pieces, thereby unifying the scheme.

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HINT: If necessary, have a header bar sewn into the top margin of a decorative quilt in order to take stress off delicate fabric.

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about 4" from the edge. Fold that edge over the filling and continue to roll up in the same direction until completely rolled. (There is no need to fold up the short ends.) Place, seam side down, on the prepared baking sheet.

Brush the top of the phyllo with the margarine (if using) or spray generously with no-stick spray. Bake for 30 minutes, or until lightly browned and crisp. Remove from the oven and let stand for 5 minutes.

Cut the strudel into 4 equal pieces and arrange on serving plates. Garnish with the tarragon or parsley.

From "Healthy Cooking for people who don't have time to Cook" by Jeanne Jones.

### PASTA SHELLS WITH DILLED CRAB FILLING

Yield: 4 servings

8 dry jumbo pasta shells

1 tablespoon corn-oil margarine

1 garlic clove, pressed or minced

1/2 medium onion, finely chopped

2 cups reduced-fat cottage cheese

1 can (6 ounces) white crab, rinsed and drained (water-packed white albacore tuna can be substituted for the crab)

1 tablespoon chopped fresh dill

1 teaspoon grated lemon rind, yellow part only

1/4 teaspoon salt

1/4 teaspoon freshly ground pepper

1 jar (14-16 ounces) fat free pasta sauce (of your choosing)

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F.

Cook the shells in a large pot of boiling water for about 12 minutes, or until tender but still firm to the bite. Drain thoroughly in a colander.

Meanwhile, melt the margarine in a large nonstick skillet. Add the garlic and cook over medium heat for 1 minute, or until the garlic sizzles. Add the onions and cook, stirring frequently, for about 10 minutes, or until soft and translucent. Remove from the heat and stir in the cottage cheese, crab, dill, lemon rind, salt and pepper.

Spoon the mixture into the cooked shells.

Spread the pasta sauce evenly over the bottom of an 11 by 7-inch or 8 by 8-inch baking dish. Arrange the shells on top of the sauce. Cover with a lid or aluminum foil and bake for 20 minutes.

Ruth Mossok Johnston is an author and food columnist who lives in Franklin. To leave a Voice Mail message for Ruth, dial (313) 953-2047, mailbox 1902.

## at home calendar

■ Lynn Nursey, master gardener and member of the Troy Garden Club, returns to her home country of England and tours the Malvern Hills Flower Show. She also tours everyday English gardens and compares them to American gardens by presenting them through a slide show coordinated with music. The Troy Garden Club will bring her enthusiasm to all gardeners at its meeting noon to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 14, at the Troy Community Center. Refreshments will be served at noon as a summer picnic. Guest donation is \$3. For information, call Barb at (248) 879-1393. The Troy Community Center has a new location, just north of Big Beaver Road at 3179 Livernois.

■ English Gardens conducts free seminars on a variety of gardening topics 7 p.m. Wednesdays in January and February at the West Bloomfield store, 6370 Orchard Lake Road, north of Maple. Call (248) 851-7506. The next topic, Jan. 14, is "How to Make and Care for an Ivy Topiary" by Diane Tuccini.

■ Master the techniques of upholstery as you reupholster your own chair in a class beginning Saturday, Jan. 10, at Haberman Fabrics, 117 W. Fourth in Royal Oak. Other home decorating sessions offered at the store include "Create a Relaxed Roman Shade," which begins

Wednesday, Jan. 14. Call (248) 541-0010 for registration and information on the classes.

■ The Michigan Cactus and Succulent Society will have a slide presentation featuring Baja California 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 11, at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 11-1/2 Mile and Campbell in Royal Oak. Admission is free. Call (248) 524-0227 for information.

■ Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro in Ann Arbor, offers a variety of adult education courses. Call (313) 998-7061 for fees and other information. Scheduled classes include "Botanical Beachcombers and Explorers," three Wednesdays beginning Jan. 14; and "Butterfly Gardening" (two sessions), beginning Saturday, Jan. 17.

■ Matthaei Botanical Gardens' Art of Living with Nature luncheon and lecture series continues noon Thursday, Jan. 15, at 1800 N. Dixboro Road in Ann Arbor with "The Other Michener's Hawaii: Private Gardens of Island Paradise" by assistant curator David Michener. The event will open with a luncheon of genuine Hawaiian fare by chef Jeff Hannah of Food for All Seasons. Seating is limited. Early registration is required. Tickets are \$30, \$25 for members of the Friends of Matthaei Botanical Gardens. Call (313) 998-7061.

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When creating new space for a small kitchen, first consideration should be given to bumping out an exterior wall by two feet. This strategy entails cutting out a section of the exterior wall and replacing it with a laminated header to support the roof. Then, the old floor is cantilevered out two feet, new exterior walls are built around its perimeter, and the bump-out is capped with a roof. A two-foot bump-out of this type could accommodate a whole bank of cabinets and appliances, thereby creating two feet of additional floor space in front of them. If this is all the space that is needed, it can be done for roughly one-third the cost of a modern room addition.

This week's column provides a kitchen remodeling

strategy that can create extra space. Today's kitchen has evolved into an area in which to entertain as well as cook and dine. Treat yourself to a remodeled kitchen this new year! MODERN KITCHEN & BATH can help make the interior design process enjoyable and creative. Call us at 546-0660 to arrange a consultation, or visit us at 819 E. Fourth St. and browse through a wide selection of impeccably crafted Amera cabinetry and DuPont Corian® sinks. From initial planning to installation and follow-up, we will exceed your expectations.

**HINT:** In some cases, the mere illusion of added space with a widened kitchen opening or an added kitchen door for rerouting traffic is all that is needed to make a kitchen feel and look larger.

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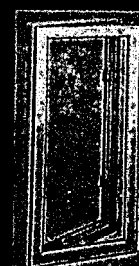
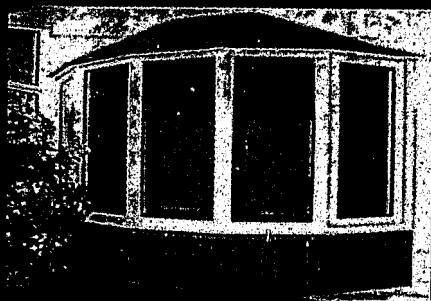


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**BY NORMAN PRADY**  
**SPECIAL WRITER**

Now, she said, "We try to think it through."

It depends on the place, she said. It also depends on whether someone else got to the names first. For Pulte's Creekside Village in Rochester, Hyde

Also open to the requesting party is the spelling of a name, Acre said. For example, "Spoozey" for the more conventional "Susie" would be namer's choice.

At the Irvine Group, developers and builders in Farmington Hills, Paul Levine said, "We look for something common to the area." Ponds, wildlife, trees and such.

Levine, president and third-generator operator of Irvine, a

Van Every, owner and president of Streamwood Development, said a significant exception to his usual theme approach is Willow Pond in White Lake Township, with Patrick Drive, Dillon Drive and Neal Drive honoring children of one of his associates in the company.

One is Clintonview Circle, which many people, he said, assume is for Bill Clinton. Actually, it was named long before Clinton was elected and is a reference to the nearby Clinton River. Van Every, however, accepts congratulations on his inferred foresight.

The other Heritage Oaks name Van Every enjoys is Hutchins Drive, named for his grandson, Aaron Hutchins.

It's there along with the presidentially dubbed Kennedy Drive and Reagan Drive, proving that it's still possible for any American child to grow up to be a street.

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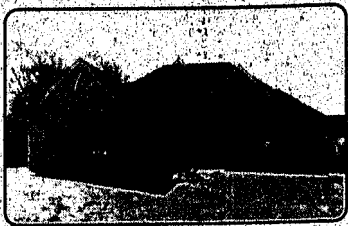
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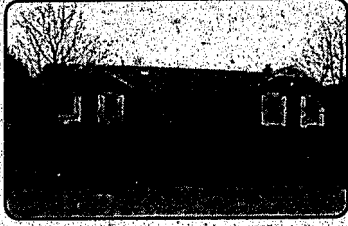
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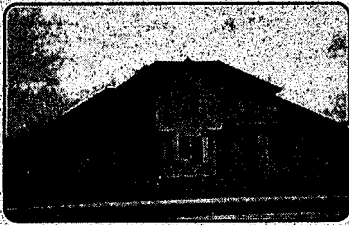
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**YOUR PROPOSED DREAM HOME AWAITS YOU**  
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 • Three bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths and 2 car attached garage  
 • Basement, 2 story ceramic foyer, 1st floor laundry  
 • Oak cabinetry, staircase and trim, walk-in pantry  
 • Access to pool, clubhouse and tennis in community  
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**NEAR THE NEW TROY HIGH**  
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 • Gas fireplace in freshly decorated family room  
 • New windows & drive, four car garage  
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**FARMINGTON HILLS CONTEMPORARY CONDO**  
 • Amenities galore with high ceilings, skylights, mirrors, ceramic tile & carpeting plus bay window  
 • Master bedroom with walk-in closet, paver brick patio, heated garage with staircase to loft  
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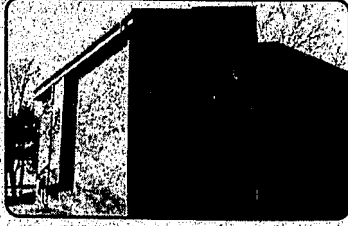
**BIRMINGHAM - LIGHT, BRIGHT & AIRY**  
 • Super clean with newer white kitchen, bath, paint & wallpaper, doorwall leads to deck  
 • Hardwood floors, 3 bedrooms, beautiful tree lined street with sidewalks - walk to school & shops  
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**STERLING HEIGHTS - 2 FIREPLACES TO WARM YOU**  
 • Cozy up to a sizzling fire in the family room or set back & enjoy the fire light in the lower level rec room  
 • Newer marble hearth, furnace & C/A, freshly painted  
 • Three bedrooms, doorwall to patio, home warranty  
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**WARM & WONDERFUL ROCHESTER HILLS CONDO**  
 • Almost 1,300 square feet and loaded with charm  
 • Updated kitchen plus newer windows, doorwall, furnace, air and carpet - fireplace in living room  
 • Three bedrooms plus 2-tiered deck off dining room  
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**ROCHESTER HILLS - DESIRABLE END UNIT**  
 • Super sharp condo with garage and deck  
 • Finished lower level could be den, additional bedroom or rec room, great room with fireplace  
 • Backing to 15 hole of Great Oaks Golf Course  
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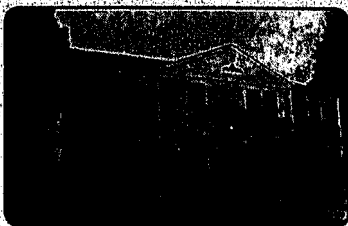
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 • Three bedrooms & partially finished basement  
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 • Seller will consider offer between  
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**SOUTHFIELD - ADORABLE AND AFFORDABLE**  
 • Two bedroom 2nd level ranch condominium  
 • New carpet, paint, countertops and refrigerator  
 • Private walk-in closet in master suite  
 • Immediate occupancy access to pool  
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**SOUTHFIELD - RUM HOLLOW ESTATES**  
 • Hardwood floors throughout & classic cove ceilings  
 • Bay window overlooks yard and updated kitchen with newer appliances, fireplace in family room  
 • Vinyl carpet, attached garage  
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**AUBURN HILLS CONDO - UPPER LEVEL RANCH**  
 • Super value with newer carpet & fresh paint  
 • Doorwall to deck, laundry facilities in unit  
 • One bedroom, one bath, peta welcome!  
 • Access to clubhouse, pool & stocked pond  
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**PONTIAC - UPDATED RANCH**  
 • Many updates include roof, siding, windows  
 • Three large bedrooms. One features doorwall to patio  
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 • One car detached garage, fenced yard  
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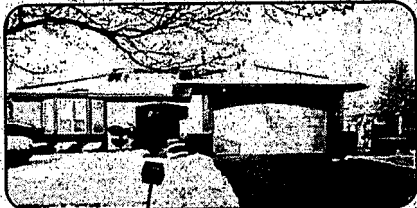
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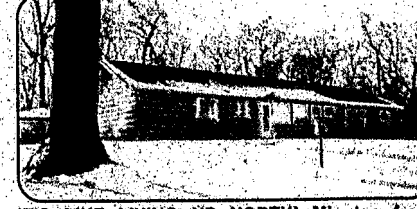
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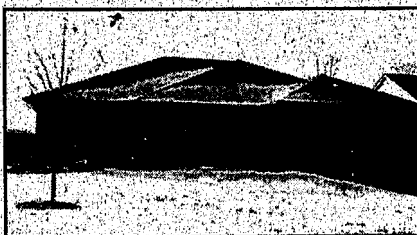




**JOY OF OWNERSHIP** Sit on the front porch & sip lemonade. Walk to park or downtown Roch. Home features hwd. floors, 9' ceilings, Pr., 2 BRS., 1 1/2 bath located on a private dead end street. Call for priv. show. \$153,900 (14SEV) 652-8000



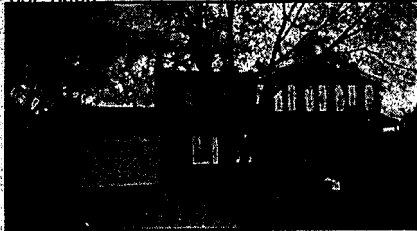
**ABSOLUTELY LOVELY** 3 yrs. old-Oakland Twp., 1 1/2 story with vaulted ceilings & unique windows. 1st flr. master suite. Full 2 lev., 3 BR., 2 1/2 bath, Grt. Rm., Form. Din. Rm. Close to I-75 & M59 & Aub. Hills Tech. Center. Large white kitchen. 209,900 (98SIL) 652-8000



**CUSTOM ALL BRICK RANCH!** Built 1993, 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, C/A, Meriliet kitchen and baths, inground sprinklers, neutral decor, lake access. \$224,900 (20SHO) 652-8000



**REDUCED FOR FAST SALE!** Executive Tudor w/3800' in Rochester Hills. immediate occ. Lg. impressive foyer w/circular stairs, library w/wood paneling. Formal living & dining rm., lg. fam. rm., 3 car garage, 7 minutes to Tech Center. \$344,900 (51POR) 652-8000



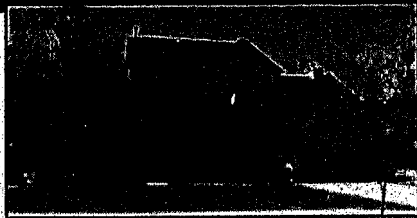
**PREPARE TO BE CHARMED** by this 2 story col. nestled on a treed rolling lot. A 4 bedroom home w/gleaming hwd flrs. in many areas. Grt fam. rm. set up w/FP w/wood stove, built in shelves, sliding doors to patio & picturesque lot. Convenient location. \$212,900 (95LAK) 652-8000



**ENJOY NATURE** from this 3 bedroom home set on 2 wooded acres. Open floor plan, master suite has sitting room w/fireplace, 2 add'l bedrooms w/built in desks & shelves. Sun room, new Karastan carpeting. Many extras & updates. Home Warr. Rochester schools. \$269,900 (99JEN) 652-8000



**WEST BLOOMFIELD** - New Construction. 2 story contemporary on wooded site in Cul-de-sac. Open floor plan, 1st floor library, laundry, appliances, A/C, carpet, LL walkout, deck off great room and nook. \$306,900 (95HER) 642-8100



**WEST BLOOMFIELD** - 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath contemporary with fabulous floor plan. Large master bedroom with master bath. Spacious kitchen with all newer appliances. Neutral throughout. Land contract available. \$247,900 (08STA) 642-8100



**ROYAL OAK** - This 4-5 br. living Dutch colonial features HW floors, living rm/dining room set-up with FP in living room, built-in china cabinet, large kitchen and lot of natural wood work throughout. \$209,900 (08BAL) 642-8100



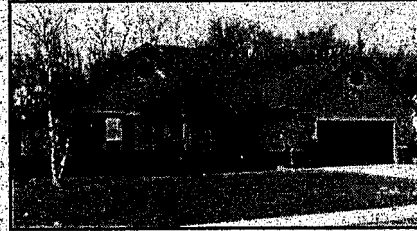
**WEST BLOOMFIELD** - Desirable new construction Ranch on walkout site! Open floor plan, high ceilings, lite and bright! Foyer, kitchen, nook, deck off great room, walkout LL and so much more! \$274,900 (85HER) 642-8100



**ROCHESTER HILLS** - Wonderful walk-out ranch offers 4 br., family room w/tp, great room w/tp, formal living room, dining room, updated kitchen, breakfast area and a fabulous private lot! A real gem! \$289,000 (51LAK) 642-8100



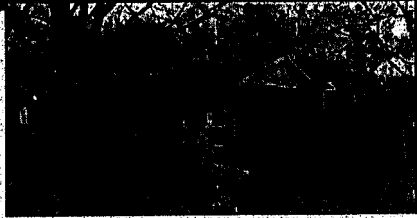
**BLOOMFIELD HILLS** - 4 br., 2 full bath, 2 half bath Quad with over 2700 sq. ft. of living space. Renovated kitchen in white formica, living room and family room w/tp, library, formal dining room, finished basement and beautiful inground pool setting! \$299,900 (34VIN) 642-8100



**TROY 3 bedroom ranch** home with 2 1/2 baths. Formal dining room with bay doorway, cathedral 22x18 great room with fireplace. Custom kitchen. Library. First floor laundry and a full basement. Wooded lot. Home warranty! \$269,900 (37WHI) 524-1600.



**TROY 3 br. ranch** home with large living room and kitchen. All new cabinets in kitchen, plus flooring, carpet, windows. Newer roof. Central air. Large lot. Ready to move into. \$129,900 (74VAN) 524-1600.



**TROY 3 bedroom ranch** home with all the charm that your looking for. Price right to sell. Quick occupancy! \$129,500 (10TRO) 524-1600.



**WEST BLOOMFIELD** Nearly new 1 1/2 story home with a first floor master suite. Great room, library, 2 1/2 baths, basement. Professionally landscaped yard. 3 car attached yard. \$249,900 (70WAT) 524-1600.



**TROY 3 bedroom brick ranch** with a finished basement. Newer roof, furnace, windows, finished basement with bath. Home warranty! \$150,000 (75TRA) 524-1600.



**TROY BRICK RANCH** 3 bedroom ranch home with a finished basement. 2 full baths. Updated thru-out. Large kitchen with hardwood floors, under carpet. Call today! \$139,000 (73RED) 524-1600.



**SOUTHFIELD - BEAUTIFUL 3 BR. BRICK RANCH.** 2 baths, large FR, kitchen & breakfast room, w/door wall to back yard. Finished bsmt w/dry bar, master br., 1st floor laundry, C/A, many updates! (24RI) \$155,000 626-8800



**COMMERCE-MUST SELL!!!** This great ranch built in 1988 is in mint condition. Full finished basement. Attached garage. Cathedral ceilings, deck, open spacious floor plan. Price reduced! (21PA) \$164,900 248-626-8800.



**PRESTIGIOUS NEW CONSTRUCTION HOME** that sits up on a hill w/1.4 acres. 2 story colonial. Surrounds peace & serenity w/amenities T/I! Spacious finished W/O w/800 sq. ft. studio ceiling in master br. w/bath/jacuzzi & w/in closet. (40WH) \$194,900 626-8800

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**BLOOMFIELD HILLS** - Exclusive Bloomfield Hills Estate on over 3.3 acres of professionally manicured grounds. Over 12,000 of luxurious amenities. Very private! \$4,000,000 (00ORC) 642-8100

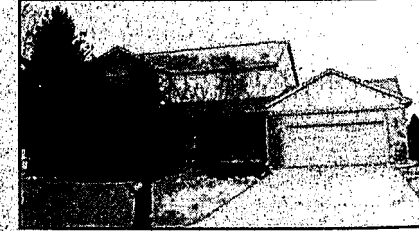


**MAGNIFICENT LAKEFRONT** - on over 400 acres of all-sports lake. 4 br., 3 bath, approx. 3,600 sq. ft., entry level, master suite, finished walk-out LL, w/2nd kit., 3 1/2 car garage. \$459,900 (96TER) 363-1200

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**W. BLOOMFIELD-BEAUTIFUL COLONIAL,** move-in condition. Great landscaping, & location! Many updates include; security system, carpet, roof, furnace, kitchen cabinets & much more! Don't pass this up! (72IN) \$279,900 248-626-8800



**NOVI-CUSTOM BUILT Brick Tudor** in fabulous condition T/O! Center Island kitchen, huge great room, & garage. 4br., w/possible 1st floor suite. 3 baths. Upgrades T/O! 2 Tiered deck. Private lot. Sprinkler. (21SI) \$269,000 248-626-8800



**BLOOMFIELD HILLS - KIRKWOOD SUB.** Extremely well maintained 4 br. colonial. Gorgeous wooded lot, overlooking pond. Bright, sunny home. Outstanding family room w/brick wall fireplace. Immediate possession & priced to sell. Don't miss this one. (57RA) \$277,950 248-626-8800



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(248) 642-8100



1110 Rochester Blvd.  
(248) 524-1600



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# Town & Country

## Century 21's #1

### 21 Firm!



**ROCHESTER HILLS** Nearly new Robert Jones Colonial with a first floor master suite, 3 1/2 baths. Walk-out basement. Library, 2 fireplaces, dec., morning room and Rochester Schools. \$494,900 (76PEA) 524-1600.



**A HOME** for the discriminating buyer! Professionally decorated, 3 br. custom Tudor on 2 1/2 wooded acres in Oakland Twp. Features conservatory & garden rooms, deck, spa, fin. jwr. level w/walk out, 3 1/2 baths. Home warranty. \$329,900 (75GUN) 652-8000

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**TOUCH OF CLASS THRU-OUT!** - This home features top of the everything! Custom built 1 1/2 story home has dream kitchen, all appliances, brass fixtures, stone fireplace and more. \$449,500 (00TUR) 363-1200



**LONG LAKE WALKOUT RANCH**-All sports, sandy frontage, southern exposure. 3,000 sq. ft. w/o lower level. Open kitchen/great room overlooks lake, 4 br., 2 bath, Walled Lake Schools. \$309,900 (29COO) 363-1200



**LOVELY** 3 bedroom home in popular family neighborhood. Fabulous 550 sq. ft. cedar deck. Central air, private yard. \$167,900 (63WAR) 652-8000



**OAKLAND TWP-ROCHESTER**: Nice 3yr. old 1 1/2 story w/1st flr. master br., 3 br., 2 1/2 bath. Full w/o lwr/level. Bright & cheery w/many unique windows. Backs to nature area of trees, flowers, wetlands for beautiful view. Easy access I-75 & M-59. (32BRI) \$215,500 652-8000



**PRICED BELOW APPRAISAL** - bring all offers! Stunning Rochester Hills 1 1/2 story 1994 contemporary w/loft, dual stairs, palladium window, 18' ceiling, wall of windows, C/Vac., C/A, ceramic flooring. \$287,000 (94FOR) 652-8000



**FRANKLIN** - Terrific colonial with 4 br., 2 bath, 2 lav., 2446 sq. ft., large living room, family room w/fp., French doors to patio and pool. Newer kitchen, large MBR suite, finished basement, newer roof and furnace. \$309,900 (47MEA) 642-8100



**FARMINGTON HILLS** - Beautifully maintained tudor in Hunter's Pointe. Neutral decor, island kitchen, jacuzzi in mbr., large br's, loads of closets. Family room, den, living room and formal dining room. \$298,000 (42FOX) 642-8100



**BLOOMFIELD HILLS** - 5000 sq. ft. ranch on nearly one acre with lake view of Island Lake. 4 br., 3 1/2 bath, finished walkout, 3 car garage, fabulous kitchen, skylights, and great windows. \$739,900 (31CAR) 642-8100



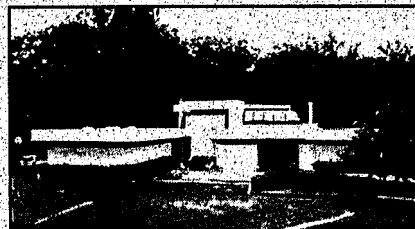
**COMMERCE-QUALITY NEW CONSTRUCTION AT ITS FINEST!** 2,300 sq. ft., light brick colonial. This home has it all. master w/bath. White cabinets in kitchen. B'fast nook opens to fr., cozy fp, entertain your family & friends this holiday in your new home. (21BL) \$219,000 248-626-8800



**WIXOM-BETTER THAN NEW!** This charming Cape Cod was built in 1995. Features include first floor master, large fm., w/fireplace, open spacious kitchen. Excellent area. Immediate occupancy. Priced to sell. (16BR) \$209,900 248-626-8800.



**FARMINGTON HILLS** - Almost perfect!!! 4 br. 2 story colonial w/first floor master suite. Backs to woods. Cathedral ceilings, Neutral decor white cabinets, ceramic foyer kitchen, 1st floor laundry and butler's pantry. Full basement. (38LA) \$354,000 248-626-8800



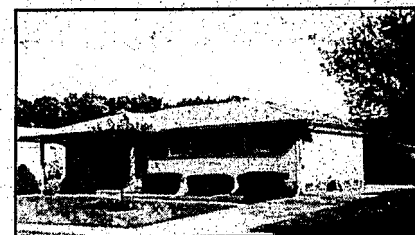
**TUCKED-AWAY PRIVACY!!** Bloomfield home on a wooded ravine. Expansive marble foyer, elegant dr., kitchen & bfast rm., MBR w/skylight & Jacuzzi. LL has lap sized pool. 3 car garage \$819,900 or lease \$7,500 (19SH) 626-8800



**TROY** 3 br. colonial with neutral decor Master suite with huge walk-in closet. Finished basement with additional living space. many updates thru-out. Fussy buyers will be impressed. \$183,500 (91KIN) 524-1600.



**TROY** 4 br. colonial with 2 1/2 baths. Cathedral ceiling in family room. 2 story foyer. Master bath with garden tub and separate shower plus more. \$269,500 (56RUB) 524-1600.



**TROY** 3 br. brick ranch with 2 full baths. Finished basement with full kitchen workshop. Family room with fireplace, nicely landscaped yard. Updated kitchen and bath. one year home warranty! \$155,400 (16ROW) 524-1600



**LONG LAKE LAKEFRONT**-Sharp 3 br. ranch, large living room w/new carpet, Jenn-Air stove, Merillat cabinets, gas FP, sprinkler. 2-car gar., sea wall, sandy beach, newer shingles. \$249,900 (88GIT) 363-1200



**LAKEFRONT RANCH ON BEAUTIFUL Williams Lk.**, updated kitchen w/all appliances, sun room, family room, living room, de/office, plus 3 br., & 2 baths. 2 car attached garage, sprinklers & home warranty. \$297,900 (70HAT) 363-1200



**COMMERCE LAKE WATERFRONT** - almost new-contemporary flair, open floor plan. Many upgrades, woodfloors, ceramic baths, 10' unfin. w/o, extra large gar., energy eff. windows. More! 2,600 sq. ft. inc. 3 br., 2 1/2 baths. \$389,00 (48BEN) 363-1200



**VILLAGE OF MILFORD-CHARMING CUSTOM BLT** - 3 br., 2 1/2 baths, formal LR & dining room, open fl. plan w/1st fl. laundry, roomy kitchen & fam. rm. w/fireplace. All appls. stay. C/A. Sec. Alarm. daylight winds in basement. \$199,900 (35HUR) 363-1200



**UPDATED 4 BEDROOM COLONIAL** - location close Xways and shopping located in Meadowbrook Glens Sub. Newer kitchen, air, roof, windows, bathrooms. Must see! \$189,900 (37HIG) 363-1200



**PEACEFUL RANCH/WALKOUT**-grab the change to enjoy this 4 br. 2 bath w/o ranch in great sidewalk sub. Move-in cond., overlooks nature preserve-view is very peaceful! Come and see! \$157,000 (99MEA) 363-1200



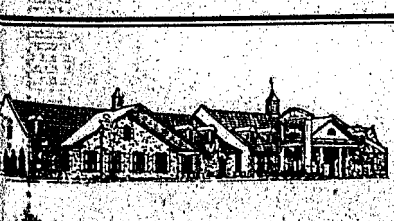
**WALKOUT RANCH ON CEDAR ISLAND**-features three bedrooms with full finished walkout that includes fourth bedroom, family room with fireplace. Fantastic lot and waterfront! \$209,900 (17BUR) 363-1200



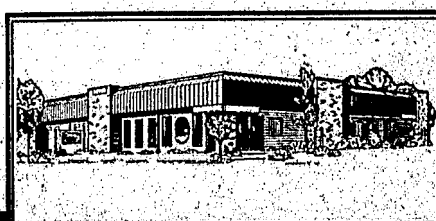
**WIXOM - DON'T MISS THIS BEAUTIFUL HOME.** Built in 1995. Excellent family neighborhood. Features include: attached garage, fireplace, security system, central air and intercom. **FABULOUS FLOOR PLAN.** \$189,500 (14PO) 248-626-8800



**TROY** - Move right in to this delightful open and airy custom built 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath Colonial. Cul-de-sac location. High ceilings. Troy schools. \$235,000 (23SA) 248-626-8800



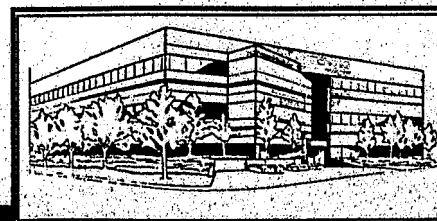
1750 Garfield, Clinton Twp.  
(810) 286-6000



2600 Union Lake Road, Commerce Twp.  
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**328 Northville**  
NORTHVILLE TWP. 5 acres. 3 bed, 2 bath, 2 car garage. 1st floor master suite, 2nd floor laundry, 3rd floor attic. Call Mike Nafe. (248) 348-6388

**PERFECT VICTORIAN 3**  
Bedroom. Tree shaded backyard. Garage. 9% down. Call Ken Gentile. (313) 420-9600

**329 Novi**  
MINI ESTATE - First offering of this 2,400 sq. ft. brick home with over 2,200 sq. ft. attached garage with 2 car garage. Call Ken Gentile. (313) 420-9600

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WITH IMMEDIATE OCCUPANCY  
Pick your bagel! Dynamic landscaping, great front porch, central air conditioning, new kitchen, new carpet, new paint. Call Ken Gentile. (313) 420-9600

**COLONIAL BACKING TO**  
WOODS  
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**MEADOWBROOK LAKE**  
NOVI COLONIAL  
Gorgeous 1/2 acre wooded lot, 2.5 car garage, finished basement, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car garage. Call Ken Gentile. (313) 420-9600

**NOVI - FIRST FLOOR MASTER**  
Construction, Gorgeous innovation, 3 bedrooms with 1st floor master suite, 2nd floor laundry, 3rd floor attic. Call Ken Gentile. (313) 420-9600

**NOVI - MODEL HOME**  
The worry of decorating and the joy of a 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial style home complete with a designer's touches and landscaping. Call Ken Gentile. (313) 420-9600

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BEAUTIFULLY UPDATED  
Huge Park area ranch is located on quiet, mature lot. Stunning home includes spacious living room with wood burning stove, huge basement with 2 car garage, dark room, 1/2 bath and tons of storage space. Call Mike Nafe. (248) 348-6388

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ABSOLUTELY GORGEOUS  
Well maintained 3 bedroom bungalow, 1.5 baths, updated kitchen, w/ new hardwood floors. Call Ken Gentile. (313) 420-9600

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**GRAND RIVER-MIDDLEBELT**  
GREAT LOCATION  
Cedarville School District  
CEDARIDGE  
Deluxe 1 & 2 Bedroom Units  
From \$540  
Vertical blinds, carpeting, hotpoint appliances, security system, storage within apartment.  
Enter on Tulane, 1 block W. of Middlebelt on the S. side of Grand River. Near Botsford Hospital, Livonia Mall & downtown Farmington.  
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Model Open daily 1-6  
Except Wednesday  
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**BEST APARTMENT VALUE**  
FARMINGTON HILLS  
(N. of Tuck Rd. off 8 Mile between Middlebelt & Orchard Lake Rd., corner of Folsom)  
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1 & 2 Bedroom Units  
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Includes appliances, vertical blinds, carpeting, pool, close in Farmington Hills location.  
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Spacious 1, 2 & 3 bedroom apartments & townhomes. From \$725  
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Large 1 bedroom, FREE HEAT, clean, quiet, walk-in closet, covered parking. 24 monitored intrusion alarm. Rent \$610.  
12 MILE & LAHSER  
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Apartments in Sensational South Lyon  
• 1 & 2 bedroom Apartments  
• Carpets  
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**THREE OAKS Winter Special!**  
SAVE \$ SAVE \$ SAVE \$  
One, one & den and two bedroom apartments with all electric kitchens, neutral carpet, blinds, storage room, free carport, tennis & volleyball courts, pool & fitness room.  
SECURITY DEPOSIT \$200  
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Wattles Rd. (7 Mile)  
Btw. Crooks & Livonia

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**WALLED LAKE** - Heritage Apartment. Large 1 bedroom. Heat, water, free heat, blinds, etc. \$455/mo. (248) 960-4537 & (248) 650-8399

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**WESTLAND** - In the rear of the house, living room, kitchen, bath, own backyard. \$450/mo. 1st month rent sec. (313) 281-8342

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Large square footage 1 & 2 bedrooms with HEAT INCLUDED. Abundant closet space, patio available and carports. Clubhouse with pool, racquetball and fitness center. Close to Oakland Mall & Somerset Collection. One bedroom from \$480. Two bedroom from \$725. Call Village Park at Troy at... (248) 889-3090  
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**BIRMINGHAM** - Downtown. 700 Ann St. 1 bedroom, balcony, private small building. All amenities. \$850/mo. Call 248-546-6139 or 248-213-5800

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BLOOMFIELD LAKES APTS.  
Furnished apts. in small, quiet complex. Fully furnished & decorated studio, 1 & 2 bedroom units. Includes dishes, linens, etc. Cleaning services available. Beach privileges. No pets please. Rent starting at \$620. Heat & water included. SHORT TERM LEASES for qualified applicants. 610-681-8309

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ABSOLUTELY BEAUTIFUL FURNISHED APARTMENTS  
Available for immediate occupancy.  
Fully furnished including all houseware items & much more.  
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**FARMINGTON** - near DOWNTOWN. Newly FURNISHED 1 bedroom. Now available! \$575/mo+security deposit. heat/water included. 313-794-6307

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Clean, quiet 1 bedroom apartments. Call OK  
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2 BEDROOMS  
Super closets - breakfast bar. Appliances - pool-hurley facilities. Security doors - Intercom. Cable ready - central heating and air conditioning.  
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An exciting opportunity exists for a buyer in a rapidly growing business involved in the manufacture of products testing equipment and the production of tool business. Commercial buying experience preferred. Must be well organized. We offer an excellent salary and benefits package. Please mail or fax resume including salary history to:

**BUYER**  
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Fax: 248-478-7114

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**Angela's Place**  
Progressive Christian agency seeking care givers to provide training & support to adults with developmental disabilities living in Southfield, Troy & W. Bloomfield. Full & part-time, days, evenings and weekends available. \$2.75 per hour based on experience. Please mail or fax resume including salary history to:

Call Mary (248) 643-7506

### CARPENTER

POSITIONS AVAILABLE immediately for quality oriented remodeling firm. Carpenters must be experienced in rough & finish work, including: kitchen & bath, hardwood & vinyl flooring, crown molding, etc. Good pay for good work plus holiday & vacation pay.  
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Experienced & non-experienced. Must have reliable transportation. Immediate employment.  
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Growing company needs reliable carpenters rough & finish experience. Call for commercial & residential projects. After 6pm: 734-458-2550

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### CARPENTERS NEEDED FOR ROUGH

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Rough framers. \$12-18 per hr. Paid medical, prescriptions & retirement. Call for commercial & residential projects. (248) 477-8488

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### CARPET TILE & VINYL INSTALLERS NEEDED

Experienced preferred. Contact Scott or Ed: 248-352-4400

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Full or part-time. Mobil, 33350 W. 12 Mile at Farmington Rd. Call Marjo: (248) 552-6121

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Now hiring for mobile shift. Apply in person at Midvale, 6 Mile/Haggerty. (313) 533-0255

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wanted for retail. Flexible hours. K-Mart, 7 Mile & Farmington Rd. Call Human Resources: 248-474-8810

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RELIABLE self-motivated. Full/part time. Apply in person. 2775 Oakwood. Southfield or call (248) 352-2340

### CATALOG SALES ASSOCIATE

Looking for active, energetic. Work with us. Many sales opportunities available. Mon-Fri weekends. Please fax resume to: Attention Carol: (248) 344-4342

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Home Day Care. Part-time. Call for details. Farmington, Hills. (248) 553-7351

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Head & Asst Teachers. Full-time. Call for details. Farmington, Hills. (248) 489-6010

### CHILD CARE

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### CLEAN HOMES in Novi and surrounding areas with the Old Maid Service.

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For Adams Rd. & M-59 Location. Sunday thru Thursday. Call for details. Farmington, Hills. (248) 489-6010

### CLEANING

Full time couples or people to clean offices. Also full time in Livonia. Evenings. Dave: 313-364-8824

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### CLEANING OFFICES

Mon-Fri. 9-5. PLYMOUTH, Farmington, Livonia & Redford. (248) 615-3554

### CLEANING OFFICES - join our team

(cleaning welcome). part time, Mon-Fri. no weekends or holidays. Plymouth/Redford area. \$7.00 to start. 313-254-0860

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### CLEANING PERSON - part time

for Farmington Hills apt. complex. Call: 248-478-0302

### CLERK POSITION AVAILABLE

Small plant full time 2nd and 3rd year student for part-time clerk position. Seeking applicant who is not afraid of hard work, independent, able to learn the practice of law, Medical background knowledge required. NW suburban location. Reply to: P.O. Box 359, Farmington Hills, MI 48335. (248) 478-0302

### CLERK TYPIST

The City of Livonia is seeking applications for a Clerk Typist. Excellent clerical, public relations skills and the ability to work independently are required. Word Perfect and Lotus experience preferred. Salary \$22,000 with a comprehensive fringe benefit package. Submit resume and application to 1-23-98 to the Human Resource Department, 45175 W. Ten Mile Rd., EOE (248) 347-0452

### CNC/LATHE/MILL OPERATORS

GENERAL MACHINE OPERATORS. Immediate openings available. Apply in person or send resume to: Beaver Aerospace & Defense, Inc. 11850 Mayfield Rd., Livonia, MI 48150. An Equal Opportunity Employer

### CNC MILL SET-UP OPERATOR

Some experience, helpful, excellent attitude. Excellent pay, overtime. Immediate openings available. Apply: PACE Machine, 1144 Rig Road, Walled Lake, MI 48390-3903

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New career opportunities available for this growing business specialty. Southfield, Troy, Plymouth, and Canton. Experience to \$11,000/hr. Computer experience helpful or will train. Call for details. Farmington/Livonia 248-646-7681 248-473-2932

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WALTONWOOD OF CANTON ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENCE

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### INFORMATION SYSTEM SUPPORT SPECIALIST

Fast growing financial institution is looking for a motivated individual with computer system experience to participate as an integral part of small information system team. Applicant must be familiar with at least one operating system. Experience with the following: Windows 3.11, Windows 95, HP 3000 MPE/x, Oracle, C, C++, C#, Visual Basic, etc. Call for details. Farmington, Hills. (248) 489-6010

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Assistant to PC Network Administrator. A Southeastern Michigan Civil Engineering firm is accepting applications for the position of Assistant to the PC Network Administrator. Primary responsibility will be maintenance of a small IBM compatible PC network consisting of a server, 700 portable and 100 desktop computers. Duties include: Windows for work groups, windows NT and Windows 95, that are networked through Novell 4.0 and printers of various makes & models. The successful applicant will be expected to prepare written documentation of the system's hardware and software improvements. Secondary responsibility will be to prepare and perform system training sessions and to assist staff with network and operating applications such as MS Office, Lotus, Adobe PhotoShop, Quark and other specialized programs, as well as digital communications. Applicant must have had documented experience with Windows, Windows based programs and DOS. Knowledge of the various operating systems, Windows and programming languages a plus. Applicant must be able to demonstrate good written and oral communication skills and training abilities. Firm is an Equal Opportunity Employer with an attractive benefit package. Interested applicants should submit a resume, with salary history, in confidence to: Assistant to PC Network Administrator, P.O. Box 624, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48303.

### COMPUTER TECHNICIAN

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Full time person with strong customer service skills. Qualified applicant must have strong Word/Processing computer skills. Be able to handle numerous tasks at one time, strong organizational skills & be good with people. For interview, contact Richard Stemple at 248-478-0302

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DESKTOP PUBLISHER. Position available on second shift. Top based direct mail company. Individuals must be proficient on the MAC using QuarkExpress, Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, and Word. An experienced individual preferred. Need apply. Send resume to: Mr. Webster, 1000 W. Maple Road, Suite 200, Troy, MI 48064, Attn: K. Webster

### COMPUTER TEACHER NEEDED

for local auto plant. Must be secondary certified. Send resume to: Farmington Hills, 15100 Highland, Livonia, MI 48154

### CONSTRUCTION COMPANY

Seeking reliable motivated hard working employee. Must have transportation & hand tools. Pay according to experience. Minimum \$10.00/hr. Call between 10am & 6pm 248-965-9594

### CONSTRUCTION

Hand-man needed. Punch Out Work. Wanted for full time work. An established, successful builder looking for experienced applicants. Salary commensurate with experience. Send resume and salary request to: JACOBI, Singh Construction Co., Inc. FAX: (248) 665-1630

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National chain of stores. Experienced, mature, project superintendent. The qualified candidate must be able to manage a construction project. Must have a minimum of 5 years experience in the field. Excellent opportunity for the right applicant. Mail or fax resume with references and salary history to: FCA Construction Group, 5235 Steve Rowland, 612-829-8734

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### CONSUMER RESEARCHERS

\$7 per job, plus expenses. Apply on internet: www.ecm.ca

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A leading wholesale distributor of building materials is seeking a controller. Must have experience in accounting, computer skills, as well as communication skills. Send resume to: David McGraw, 49000 Martin Dr., Livonia, MI 48150-0203 or fax resume to: (248) 624-6285

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### COUNTER CLERKS - full or part

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Northeast corner of Dequindre and 25 Mile Road  
From the mid \$220's  
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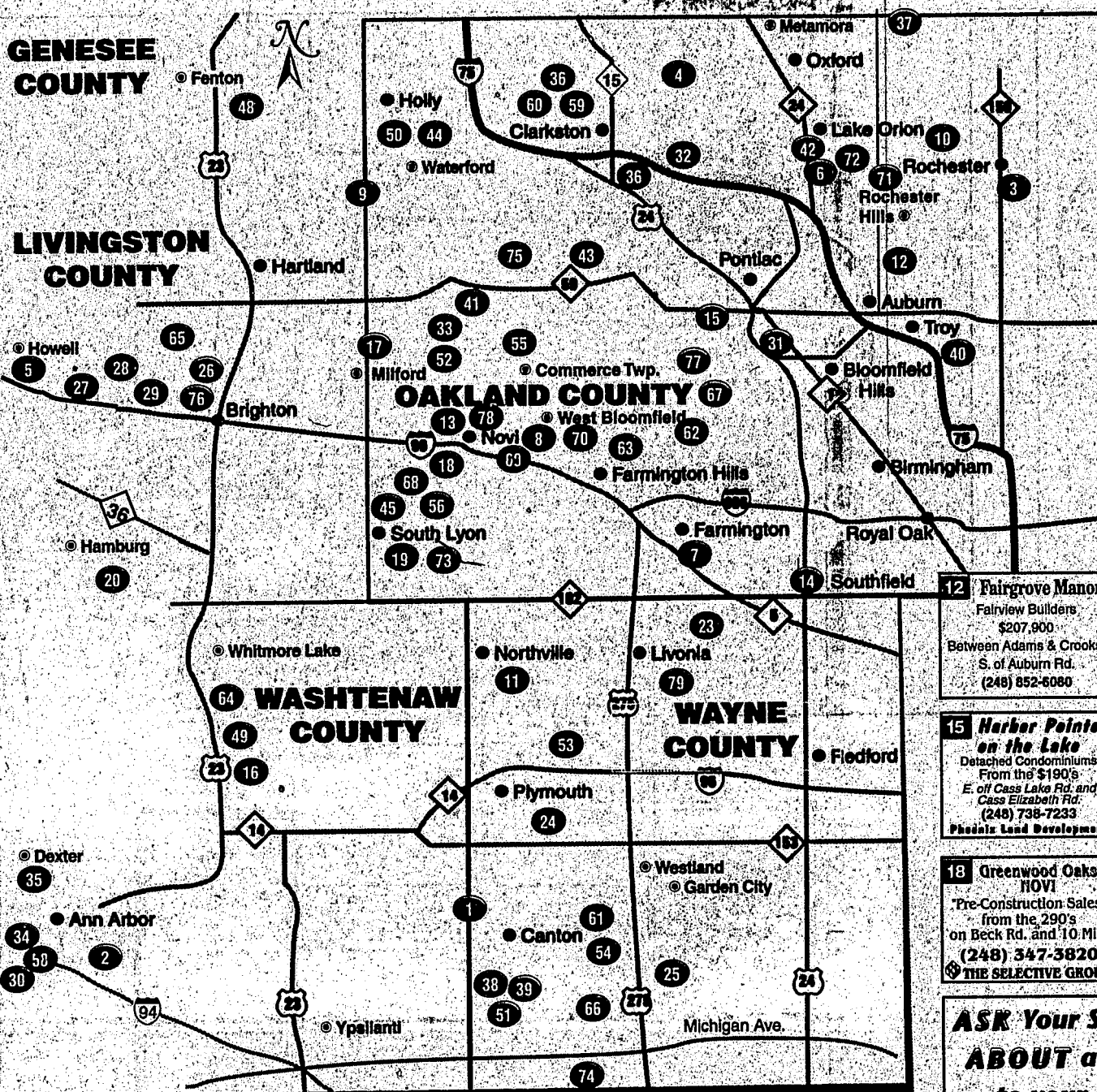
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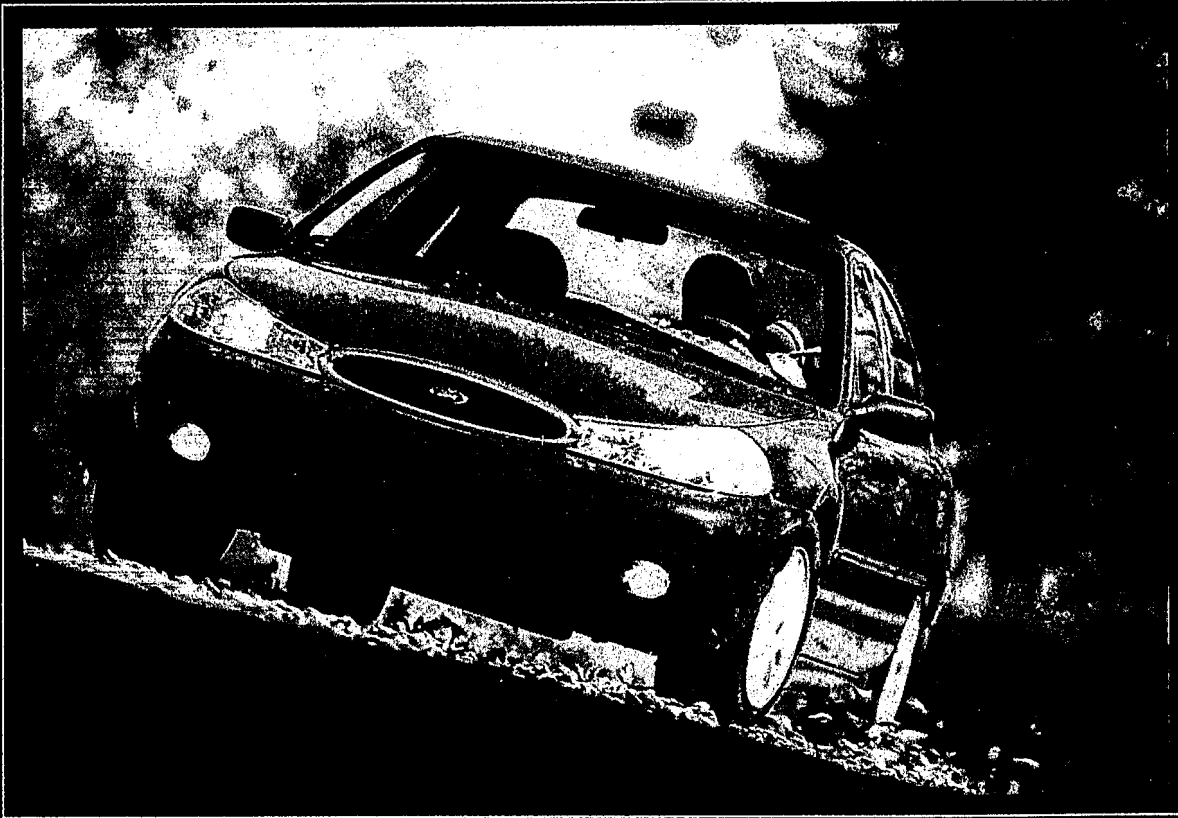
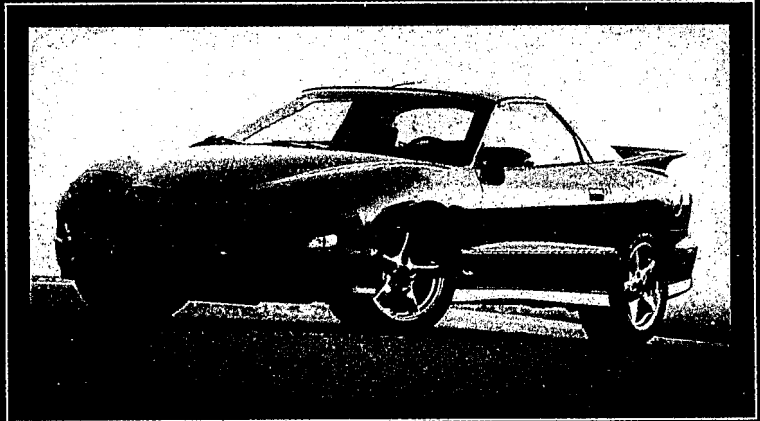
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# Concept vehicles take center stage at Cobo Center auto extravaganza

The North American International Auto Show in Detroit this year marks its 10th year as an international event.

The show opens to the public Saturday, Jan. 10 at 10 a.m. and runs until Monday, Jan. 19, at Cobo Center in Detroit. (See related information).

Domestic exhibitors include: AM General, Buick, Cadillac, Chevrolet, Chrysler-Plymouth, Dodge, Ford, GMC, Jeep/Eagle, Lincoln-Mercury, Oldsmobile, Pontiac and Saturn.

Import exhibitors include: Acura, Aston Martin, Audi, BMW, Ferrari, Honda, Hyundai, Infiniti, Isuzu, Jaguar, Land Rover, Lexus, Mazda, Mercedes-Benz, Mitsubishi, Nissan, Porsche, Saab, Subaru, Suzuki, Toyota, Volkswagen, and Volvo.

Special exhibitors include: Center for Creative Studies, GM Concept, Cure, Michelin North America, Michigan Secretary of State.

Other exhibitors include:

Bertone, Ital Design, Pininfarina (Italian designers sponsored by Michelin), Dodge Motorsports, Ford Motorsports, GM Corporate Technology, GM Parts and Accessories, Karmann, Stewart Reed Design, UAW Chrysler, UAW Ford and Volkswagen.

About 30 concept vehicles will make their worldwide or North American debut at the 1998 North American International Auto Show.

This year, in addition to concept car unveilings by traditional manufacturers, Italy's top three coachbuilders - Bertone, ItalDesign and Pininfarina - will each show two concept vehicles never before displayed at a unique exhibit in partnership with Michelin.

Acura TL-X

Acura will unveil to the world the TL-X concept vehicle at the 1998 NAIAS. Acura officials have disclosed few details. They describe TL-X as a stylized model of their new performance-

luxury sedan. The production version of the all-new sedan is scheduled to go on sale in the fall of 1998 as a 1999 model.

Honda Minivan Concept

Honda's minivan concept will make its worldwide debut at the auto show. The concept provides hints as to what Honda's new minivan will be like. The all-new production minivan goes on sale as a 1999 model and will be built at a new Honda plant now under construction in Alliston, Ontario, Canada.

BMW Z07 Design Study

BMW's Z07 Design Study will make its North American debut at the auto show in Detroit, having made its worldwide premiere at the Tokyo Motor Show in October.

The Z07 Design Study is how BMW designers think the BMW 507 sports car, introduced at the 1955 Frankfurt Motor Show and launched in 1956, might have evolved had its development continued.



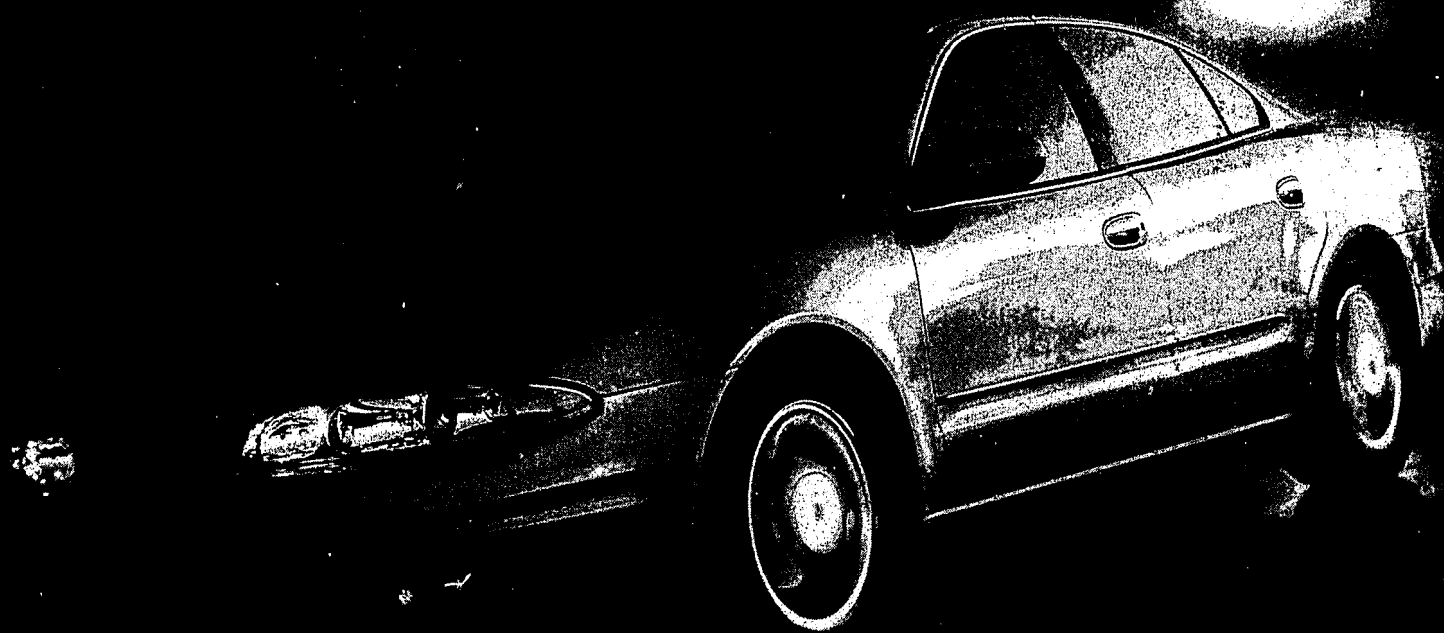
**What a concept:** The Mercedes-Benz Maybach Design Concept provides a glimpse of the technology and features that could be incorporated into an ultra-luxury model of the near-future.

Karmann Engineering Concept  
The Karmann engineering

concept car incorporates a metal composite body structure, which Karmann believes will enable

equipment manufacturers to produce variations at a reasonable cost with minimum complexity.

The 1999 Oldsmobile Alero



## Check out show dates, time, cost

Public show days are Saturday, Jan. 10, through Monday, Jan. 19, at Cobo Center in Detroit. Hours are 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 10, through Sunday, Jan. 18, (ticket booths close at 9 p.m.), 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 19, (ticket booths close at 6 p.m.).

Special access for people with a disability is one hour earlier than above hours.

Ticket prices: adult \$8, senior (65 and over) \$4, children 12 and under free when accompanied by a parent, otherwise \$8.

General admission tickets are available at Cobo Center during show hours, and through Ticketmaster. To charge by phone, call (248) 645-6666.

## VW Bug debuts at show

It will be Back to the Future, as the Volkswagen Beetle Bug makes its worldwide debut at the 1998 North American International Auto Show.

Volkswagen is hoping nostalgia will entice Baby Boomers to buy one for either themselves or their kids.

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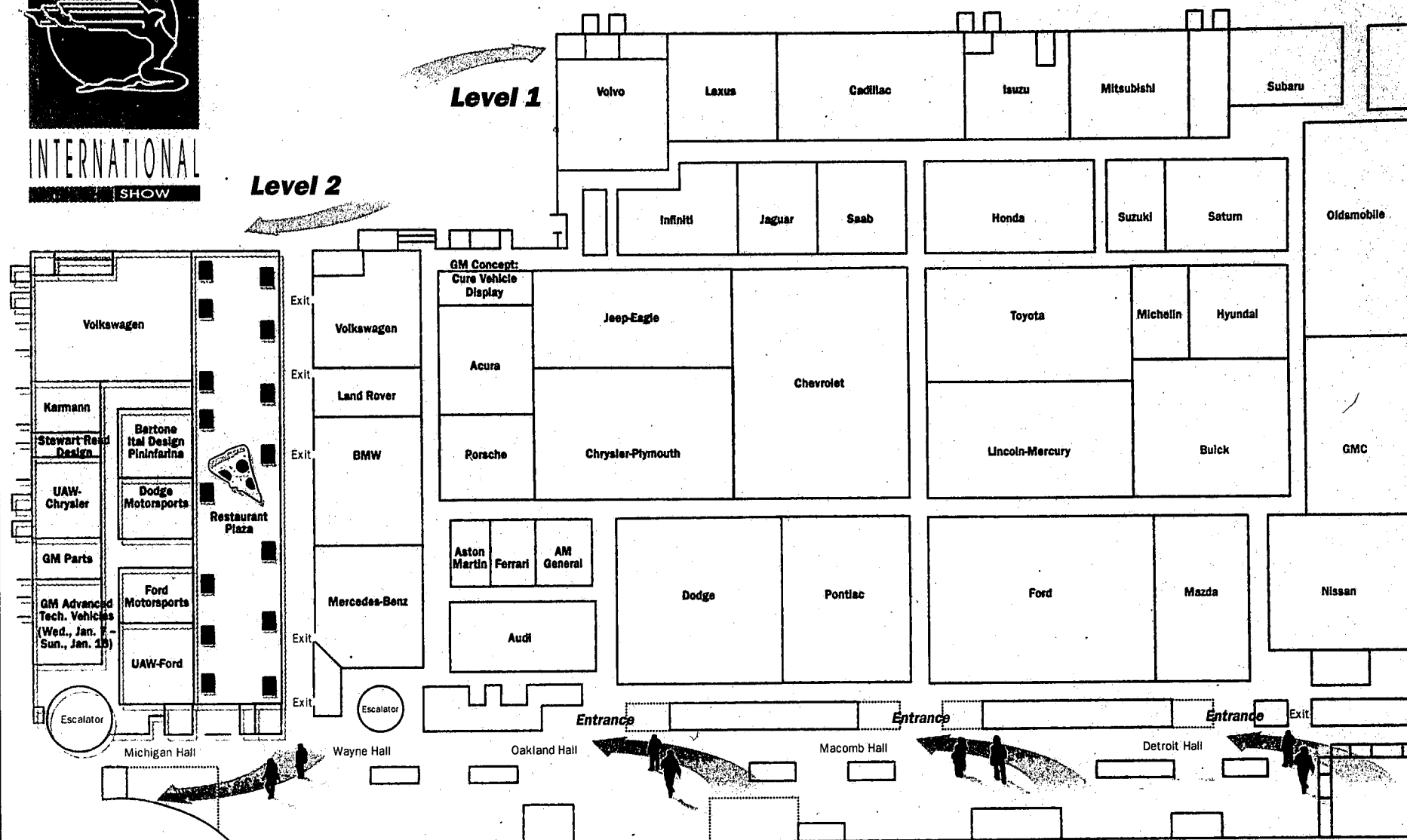
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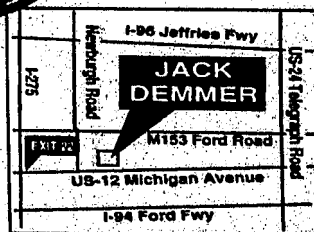
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# Chrysler products evoke passion, target speed and growth for '98

BY CAROL COMMAND  
SPECIAL WRITER

Regardless of whether it's memories of a big, red truck that revs your engine or the silent hum of a sleek and sporty sedan, the exciting new changes at the auto show are likely to turn you on.

Chrysler Corp. is riding on a platform that speaks to passion, speed and profitable growth with its 1998 line of products. The North American International Auto Show, opening Jan. 10 at Cobo Hall invites consumers to view the results of that philosophy.

Every year since 1992, there has been a major product introduction for the Chrysler brand. The all-new Concorde keeps that tradition going in 1998. The Concorde, new from the ground up compared to its first generation car introduced in 1993, is geared to appeal to a new generation of younger buyers. It's touted as unmistakably linked to the Chrysler LHX concept car shown last year. Going beyond the sheet metal, changes include new 2.7 liter and 3.2 liter aluminum engines that offer 10 percent better fuel efficiency and up to 25 percent more power.

"From its jewel-like headlamps to its spacious interior and tapered rear-end, the 1998 Concorde underscores exactly how the Chrysler brand has been refining itself to meet a new level of consumer require-

ments," said Martin R. Levine, General Manager of Chrysler/Plymouth/Jeep/Eagle.

The 1998 Concorde will also wear the winged Chrysler-brand medallion, which appeared in a similar form on Walter P. Chrysler's first car in 1924. Not used since the 1960s, the winged logo reappeared on the Chrysler Atlantic concept car in 1995.

Other Chrysler Corp. lines have vamped-up their images and technology, too.

The market entry-level models of Neon, Breeze and Voyager will be offered in the Espresso package to add to the cool personality of the entire product line-up, says Chrysler Public Relations material.

The Plymouth Breeze Espresso package includes 14-inch wheel covers, accent color on the front and rear fascias and a unique interior fabric. A spoiler-type power sunroof is optional. New exterior colors to choose from include Flame Red, Deep Cranberry, Alpine Green, Bright Platinum, Pearl and Slate.

The Voyager will introduce some of the same colors along with new interior fabrics. The family shopper will be interested in the five-point belt system for child safety seats that make buckling and belt removal easier, as well as seven hooks to hang groceries on located at the back of the rear bench seat.

All vehicles have the next generation air bags allowed by

Federal Regulations to be less forceful.

Jeep has added a Classic and Limited version to the Cherokee line for the 1998 model year. Cherokee Classic is positioned between the Sport and the top-of-the-line Limited. The monotone exterior and low back seats with adjustable headrests set the Classic apart from the Sport. The Limited offers all the extras in one package and replaces the Country in the model line-up. New exterior colors include Chili Pepper Red and Deep Amethyst. The Cherokee SE offers a 2.5 liter, in-line, three-speed automatic transmission.

The Grand Cherokee 5.9 Limited has its most powerful engine ever, a 245 horsepower, 5.9 liter V-8 engine. Its unique interior features include calf's grain leather seat inserts, armrests and a spare tire cover. New interior colors are Dark Saddle and Agate. The 5.9 Limited also has hood louvers, front grille with mesh insert, body colored sill molding and 16-inch aluminum wheels, and other new features.

New silver exterior badging will enhance the Eagle Talon, along with a black and gray interior color scheme and new fabrics. Targeted to younger-minded buyers, the sporty Eagle offers a 2.0-liter, 16-valve engine that can develop 140 horsepower.

The New Dodge is said to be racy, red and powerful - regardless of color. Dodge is introduc-



**Powerful** The Grand Cherokee 5.9 Limited has its most powerful engine ever, a 245 horsepower, 5.9 liter V-8 engine.

ing two all-new vehicles with the Intrepid mid-sized sedan and the Durango sport utility.

The completely redesigned Intrepid sport sedan takes cues from last year's concept Intrepid ESX. A cockpit-style interior and coupe-like appearance encase the highest horsepower-per-liter rating in its class.

The powerful all-new aluminum 2.7-liter, 24-valve V-6

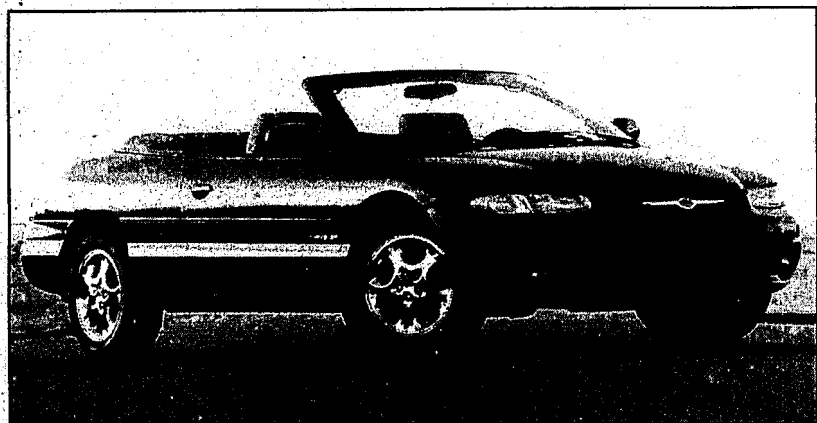
engine, rated at 200 horsepower has better fuel efficiency. And the new Intrepid has more trunk room, too.

"Both passionate and practical," the Dodge literature calls it.

Durango is the first compact sport utility vehicle to offer optional eight-passenger seating. It's available with a 250-horsepower, 335-ft-lb torque 5.9-liter Magnum V-8. This and the two

smaller engines available in the Dakota will be mated to four-speed automatic transmissions. Durango will only be offered in four-wheel drive for 1998.

The changes in technology, tailoring and palette of colors should make the auto show a tease and an adventure for every member of the family. Can you hear the sound of engines starting?



**Best seller:** The Chrysler Sebring Convertible features elegant design, agile performance and year-round practicality. The line has been expanded for 1998 to meet a wider variety of incomes.



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There were 17 exhibitors showing 33 vehicles at the 1907 show.

As interest in automobiles grew, the DADA began to host the show at Wayne Gardens, which, at the time, was the largest space in the city. In 1917, the show moved to yet a larger facility at Grinley Field, located between Woodward and Cass Avenues.

From there, the show had several locations including Cross Town Garage (1919), the Ford Building (1920), Morgan and Wright's Building (1921-22), and

Detroit Artillery Armory (1957). The 1957 show was a landmark show for Detroit - it was the first time foreign auto manufacturers displayed their vehicles in the show. These first import exhibits were Volvo, German Isetta, Mercedes-Benz, Jaguar and Porsche.

In 1965, the show moved to its present location at Cobo Conference/Exhibition Center which offers one of the largest single-floor showrooms in the world. Cobo Center is capable of housing a 600,000-square-foot show in one open-view hall along with an additional 100,000 square feet in the River Level, 84 meeting rooms and a 100,000 square foot concourse and atrium area.

In 1989, after a year of planning, the show was renamed the North American International Auto Show and gained worldwide recognition when Toyota and Nissan introduced their new luxury divisions - Lexus and

Infiniti, respectively. Today the NAIAS is widely recognized as one of the world's five premier shows along with the Frankfurt, Paris, Geneva and Tokyo shows. The NAIAS is the only show in the United States to receive the official international auto show sanction from the Organisation Internationale Des Constructeurs D'Automobiles. Since the show became an international event in 1989, 411 new concept and production vehicles have been introduced at the NAIAS.

Today, more than 40 automo-

tive manufacturers exhibit more than 700 cars and trucks at the NAIAS. While the NAIAS is a stage for major industry news, it also has a significant economic impact locally.

The total incremental economic impact of the 1997 NAIAS on Southeastern Michigan was estimated at \$251.8 million, according to David L. Littmann, first vice president and senior economist, Comerica Bank.

The 1998 North American International Auto Show will be the 82nd show in Detroit.

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# Topless Corvette headlines Chevy's revitalized lineup of cars, trucks

BY CAROL COMMAND  
SPECIAL WRITER

Believe it or not, that old diehard wagon truck at the hayride and the long and lean bodied Corvette hugging the curves are both Chevys. Something for everyone? That variety of models is what Chevrolet says makes it the top selling manufacturer in the country. More than 36 million people own a Chevy, today.

When the 10th annual North American International Auto Show opens at Cobo Center on Saturday, Jan. 10, Chevrolet will display its fifth-generation Corvette, which first debuted in Jan. 1997. Along with it, a revitalized line of cars, trucks and sport utility vehicles that made 1996 sales the best ever.

The 1998 Corvette convertible was designed to be a "topless" vehicle whose solid and functional structure is squeak- and rattle-free. New also is its easy operation of the manual top, which can be taken down in a few moments, complete, with heated glass rear window.

According to Dick Almond, Corvette Brand Manager, the top can be taken down in the same amount of time you'd spend at a spotlight. With a little imagination, one can feel the summer breeze right now.

But just in case you intend to drive it along the Lake Superior shoreline in February, this model is designed to stay rigid and tight over the lifetime of the vehicle. The convertible top features a black headliner and is available with a Light Oak, Black or White exterior. Medium Purple Pearl Metallic and Light Pewter Metallic are the new exterior colors. Light Oak leather is the new interior color.



**Sleek:** The 1998 Corvette convertible was designed to be a "topless" vehicle whose solid and functional structure is squeak- and rattle-free. With a little imagination, one can feel the summer breeze right now.

AutoWeek named the 1997 Corvette, "Best in Show" at the 1997 North American International Auto Show, and American Women Motorscene (more than a quarter of Corvette owners are female) named it "Most Likely to be Immortalized" at the same show. It's certainly worth a peek, don't you think?

And if you're a driver with yin and yang firmly in balance, you'll also get into the hardy Chevy trucks, a family that's endured.

The C/K Pickup, for example, is Chevrolet's biggest selling nameplate. Targeted at 30- to 40-year-old males with who love the outdoors, this year's line has

a growing list of standard equipment for less money than its competition, according to Chevy Communications. Check out the 4-wheel anti-lock brakes, side door beams, dual air bags, and daytime running lamps.

New improvements to the drivetrain add durability, fuel savings and a smoother ride. The 4L60-E and 4L80-E 4-speed electronic automatic transmissions add a new electronically controlled torque converter clutch, which engages gradually to reduce vibration. And new computer software adjusts the oil pressure to the transmission for a smoother shift. Another

driveline feature that's new is the lighter 4-wheel-drive front halfshafts that aid fuel economy and are easier, and less expensive, to remove for service.

And the PassLock theft-deterrent system is now standard on all C/K (two- and four-wheel drive) Pickups. PassLock will not allow the vehicle to run if an unauthorized key is used. The truck will not start for 10 minutes if the proper key is not used.

On the outside, the new paint colors are Indigo Blue Metallic, Light Pewter Metallic and Dark Copper Metallic.

For those middle-of-the-road buyers, there's the all-new

Prizm with long list of this year's improvements. Prizm, considered "Best Buy" by Consumer Reports, has one of the most extensive safety feature lists in its class, says Chevy Communications. That includes optional side air bags and standard Daytime Running Lamps that increase to full power automatically at dusk. The new aluminum 16-valve 1.8 Liter DOHC L4 is over 60 lbs lighter than last year's engine yet delivers 15 more horsepower and 10 more ft.-lb. of torque. For a tighter feel when changing lanes or turning, a standard rear stabilizer bar has been added to the chassis and for

overall stability, cross-bar braces were added to the suspension cradle and engine.

Other changes made are a cup holder added where the rear ashtray once was, a lower hoodline for better visibility, two trip odometers and an on-board refueling vapor recovery system that keeps gasoline fumes out of your car -- a feature expected to be required on all cars by the year 2000. The Prizm has a lot of new details worth looking at.

Whether your fancy tends toward work-horse trucks that pull stumps and haul cargo or toward the sleek legend of the Corvette, the auto show will provide material for that journey.

## Onstar

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system is a hands-free, voice-activated cellular phone which links a subscriber to the 24-hour OnStar Center where people are offered person-to-person help 24 hours a day 365 days a year from OnStar advisers.

The adviser can dispatch emergency help, remotely unlock a driver door, offer an alternate route or direct a subscriber to nearby hotels, restaurants, automatic bank tellers, auto dealerships and other locations.

The system can also be used to track vehicle locations. Since it's launch in September 1996, OnStar staff have handled a variety of emergency calls including:

■ A Tennessee woman driving an OnStar-equipped Cadillac was carjacked at gunpoint. She called the OnStar Center, which began tracking the car and in about 20 minutes local police found the abandoned car minus its wheels and tires, but otherwise undamaged.

■ A man was driving in a remote area in Oregon when his car hit a deer. The animal crashed through the windshield, setting off the airbag. Before the vehicle has stopped, an OnStar adviser was on the phone asking how she could help.

Advisers on staff have college degrees often with background in customer service. They complete a 60-day training program. Subscriber requests range from unlocking cars to routing support to locations to monitoring emergency air bag deployment.

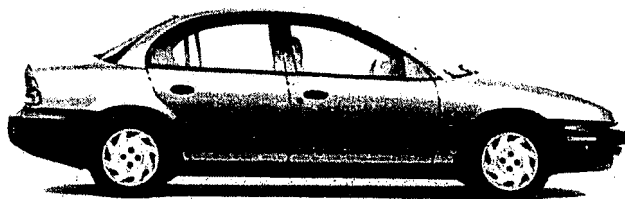
"Besides that feeling of safety and security, the adviser is always there to offer the personalized, individual attention that is becoming a hallmark of OnStar service," said Managing Director Chet Huber. OnStar Centers are located in Troy and Farmington Hills.

For 1998, OnStar is available on more than 1.3 million vehicles, including all Cadillacs and Buicks and selected minivans, sport utilities and full-size trucks, premium cars and mid-size vehicles from Oldsmobile, Chevrolet and Pontiac-GMC.

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# Ford marks 50th anniversary of F-series trucks at Detroit show

BY CAROL COMMAND  
SPECIAL WRITER

A 50th birthday, though not always celebrated, is a time for reflection. The half-century mark warrants a nostalgic look to the past and a hopeful gaze to the future. This year you can help Ford reflect on its F-Series 50th anniversary at the 10th Annual North American International Auto Show.

Since 1948, customers have purchased more than 26 million F-Series trucks, making it the best-selling car or truck in the world. The auto show, running from Saturday, Jan. 10 through Monday, Jan. 19, will provide lots of opportunities to reflect on where the automobile has taken us and where we still may go.

The F-150 and F-250 full-size pickups were both redesigned last year, but will include an anniversary logo in the bottom corner of the driver's side window. The Expedition, 1997 truck of the year, will sport some revised colors and second generation, low-force, air bags. And the Ranger will have slight increases in both legroom and spaciousness, a new front frame for better rides and handling, and 6 percent more horsepower and 8 percent more torque. A redesigned tailgate on the Explorer will add more cargo space.

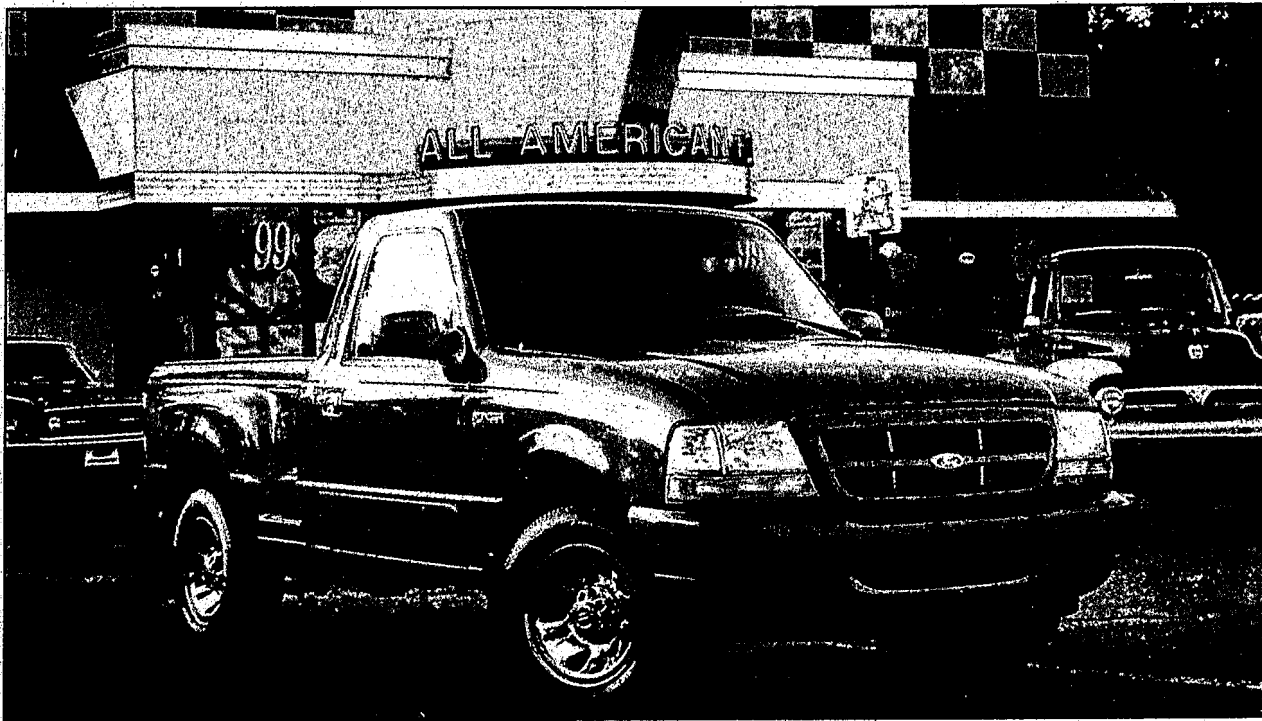
The bigger Ford highlights at this auto show include the all-new Ford Escort ZX2, billed as the affordable, sizzling performance, high-style sports coupe. The Ford Contour SVT has been re-engineered for 1998 with more than 103 improvements. And

Windstar, the only minivan with the double five-star crash test rating, will feature the Family Entry System.

The Ford Escort ZX2, billed as the "coolest Ford since the Mustang," comes in a Cool affordable version and a Hot, well equipped version. The ZX2, aimed at the younger buyer who wants a good sound system, offers an optional 80-watt, six-disc CD changer. The Zetec 2.0-liter engine packs 130 horsepower and its sleek bodywork has a low drag coefficient in the wind tunnel. The split-fold rear seat converts passenger space to cargo hold for items such as surf boards, ski poles or hockey sticks. A sport package includes items such as 15-inch wheels with low-profile radial, fog lamps and upgraded front bucket seats.

Also new for 1998 is a marketing initiative called FORD CHOICE, which covers all Ford cars and is intended to cut costs. It reduced to two the number of series for each line, and simplified the option packages to names such as Power, Sport, and Comfort Groups.

The Contour comes in a LX and SE series. The LX appeals to the more practical buyer, while the SE, with a sporty personality, adds items such as color-keyed mirrors, cassette, power locks and rear defroster. The Contour has been upgraded to include chassis changes for a better ride and less vibration. Subtle interior changes include a more relaxing green glow to instrument panels and brighter color coordination with seat and door-panel trim. The



**Splash:** Ford Ranger, a compact pickup truck, sports new front-end styling, interior, durability and performance.

2.0-liter 16-valve, DOHC Zetec four-cylinder engine has a smoother idle, and reduced emissions. Zetec engines joined with automatic transmissions now meet California requirements as Transitional Low Emission, though they still deliver 125 horsepower. The Contour model with optional 2.5-liter 24-valve Duratec V-6, with 170 horsepower, comes with the Ford

SecuriLock anti-theft system. Either engine comes with four-speed automatic or five-speed manual transmission. Structural improvements, such as a magnesium framework inside the steering wheel, revised engine mounting, a new flex coupling exhaust system and better wind seals are said to reduce noise, vibration and harshness.

The Windstar minivan will

sport a new front fascia and the Family Entry System. The system consists of a driver's door that's 6 inches longer and a tip-slide front bucket seat for easier loading of parcels and people. The Windstar has more than 40 safety features. Additions include restraints for every outboard seating position, better traction control, and a fold-down "conversation" mirror aimed at keeping a quick eye on the

rear-seat passengers. A Windstar Limited will offer extras such as 16-inch aluminum wheels and interior stitched mats and wood-grain appliques.

Whether you're a sporty model or you like the view from the top in an F-150, the auto show gives buyers and window shoppers alike a chance to find the right fit before they sign on the dotted line.

## Ford will introduce new family car at auto show

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

Ford Motor Company is introducing a revolutionary family car at the 1998 North American International Auto Show, one that gets 63 miles-per-gallon.

The P2000 is about the same size as the Taurus. However, at 2000 pounds it weighs about 40-percent less.

The P2000 is also equipped with Ford's all-new, aluminum 1.2-liter DIATA engine. Ford believes the DIATA engine is the lowest-emission, highest power density, direct injection engine ever attempted in the auto industry.

The Aston Martin Project Vantage prototype is being labeled as the 200-mph-plus "supercar" of the future.

Project Vantage is a design concept for a totally new, advanced technology vehicle which employs high-strength, lightweight construction and a high-power, low-emissions powertrain. It is powered by a prototype 6.0-liter aluminum alloy V-12 48-valve engine.

Initial performance indications show this Aston Martin can accelerate from rest to 60 mph in just four seconds, reach more than 140 mph at the end of a standing quarter-mile, yet still get more

than 20 miles per gallon.

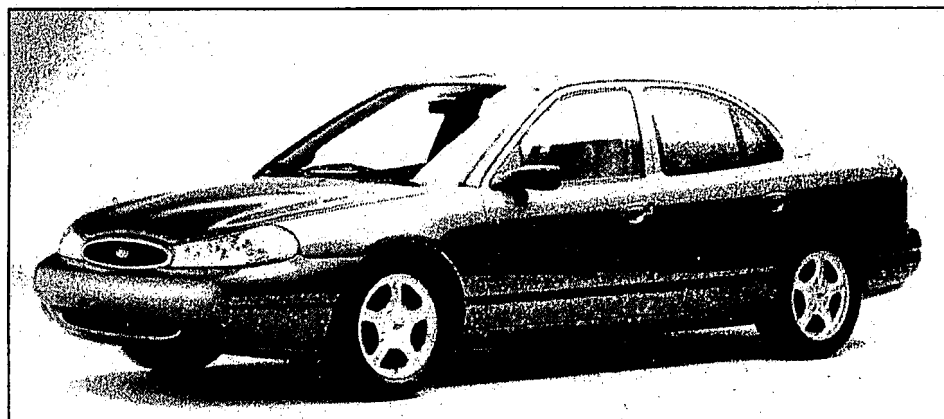
Mercury introduces the 1999 Cougar, a four-seat sports coupe which is the first car in North America to feature Ford's New Edge design.

Ford is hoping its bold styling and driving dynamics will be aimed at making Mercury a serious contender in the small specialty segment.

Ford Motor Company introduces the industry's first SuperCab with standard four doors with its 1999 model Super Duty F-Series pickups.

SuperCab models are available in the 1999 F-250 and F-350.

Ford is also adding the 4-door

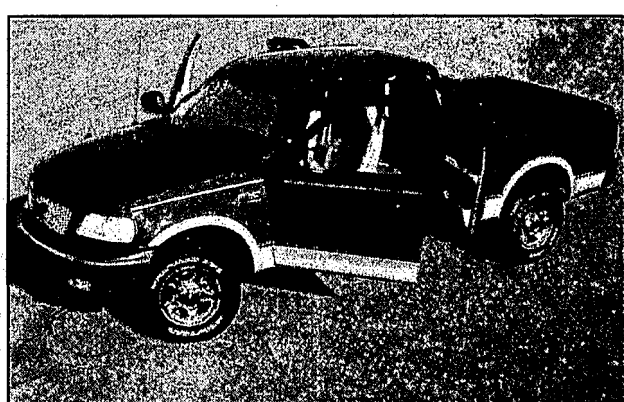


**Family car concept:** The P2000 is (above) equipped with Ford's all-new, aluminum 1.2-liter DIATA engine. (Below) Ford introduces the SuperCab 1999 model Super Duty F-Series pickups.

SuperCab to its 1999 model year light-duty F-Series pickup truck lineup and the 1998 Ranger SuperCab, the country's best-selling pickup.

Ford's Alpe Limited concept vehicle is a design exercise to explore the possibilities of combining the ruggedness of a sport utility vehicle with the practical size and handling of a passenger car.

The five-door, 4-passenger small sport utility vehicle concept is based off the Ghia Alpe that was introduced at the 1996 Turin Motor Show.



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# Jaguar refines, enhances new products for '98 performance

The air was thick with anticipation at the 1996 Geneva Auto Show as Jaguar designers, program engineers and executives anxiously awaited the crowd's response to Jaguar's first new sports car in 21 years, the XK8.

Strong enthusiasm for the XK8's styling was immediately apparent from the press and show spectators. The design team's dramatic departure from the XJS, predecessor of the XK8 and Jaguar's best-selling sports car ever, seemed likely to be rewarded by the public.

Still, questions remained: Would Jaguar loyalists embrace any vehicle that retired their XJS? More importantly, would enthusiasts accept this new-generation sports car, the first full vehicle program completed under Ford Motor Company ownership, as a purebred

Jaguar?

Customers responded warmly to the XK8's distinctive style and new 4.0-liter AJ-V8 engine. The new model immediately set records for sales and showroom traffic, and XK8 sales in the first half of 1998 nearly doubled those of its predecessor.

The car's stance and proportions evoke Jaguar's powerful styling heritage. Fine wood veneers and premium Connolly leather reflect traditional Jaguar elegance throughout the XK8's interior. Round analog gauges and Jaguar's J-gate transmission shifter further link the XK8 to its predecessors.

Accolades poured in from reviewers during the XK8's first year on sale. "Motor Week" called the XK8 "Best Dream Machine," "CAR" magazine lauded it for "Best New Engine," and

the "Robb Report" named it "Car of the Year."

Jaguar engineers specified enhancements to the sports car program for the 1998 model year, improving customer convenience in a number of areas. Automatic on/off headlamps are added to the extensive list of XK8 standard features, as is a sophisticated engine immobilizer for the anti-theft system.

Designers revised the audio system to accommodate an integrated telephone keypad and modified the steering-wheel-mounted audio controls for the optional, dealer-installed cellular telephone.

For calendar year 1998, Jaguar projects sales of the XK8 will reach nearly 7,000 in North America. The convertible is expected to account for almost 90 percent of sales.



**Sleek wheels:** The Jaguar XJ8 sedan was manufactured with partner UT Automotive, which has been working with Jaguar since 1991.

## New Porsche debuts



**Unveiled:** Porsche Cars North America is introducing a new Porsche 911 Carrera in Detroit. The 1999 Porsche 911 Carrera features a liquid-cooled engine and optional child seats which can automatically deactivate the passenger air bag system. From both a design and engineering perspective, however, the new 911 Carrera is quite obviously a Porsche 911. The 1999 Carrera is powered by a horizontally opposed, six-cylinder boxer motor mounted behind the rear axle. The new engine is more compact yet more powerful and fuel efficient than its predecessor.

## BMW, Saab to launch new models here

The North American International Auto Show reflects the fulfillment of a dream and the celebration and growth of a brand within a brand for BMW.

With the North American debut of the Z07 concept car, the successor to the famed BMW 507 sports car, and the introduction of three new M Brand models, the company continues to refine and expand its model line while looking to the future.

The new M3 convertible, M coupe and M roadster debut as BMW celebrates the 20th anniversary year of the M1, the first M Brand production car. The coupe and roadster are siblings to the Z3 1.9 and the Z3 2.8 two-seat roadsters.

Also introduced will be the newest version of the company's

Dynamic Stability Control system-technology designed to provide greater driving safety in slippery conditions.

### Saab features

Saab launches a range of cars at Detroit's North American International Auto Show - featuring the world premiere of the new 1999 Saab 9-3 Convertible, Coupe and five-door and the North American debut of the new 1999 Saab 9-5 premium performance sedan.

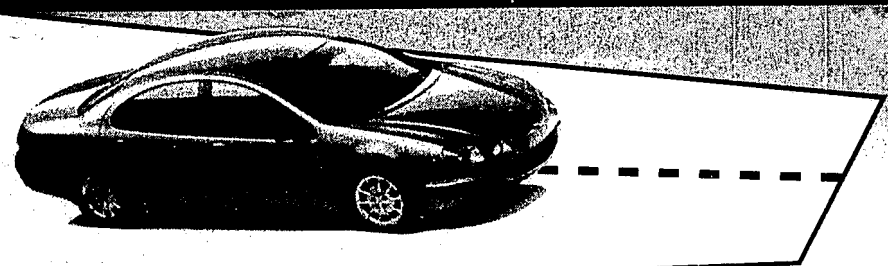
Scheduled to go on sale in the spring of 1998, the new Saab cars are powered exclusively by turbocharged engines and feature safety innovations such as the Saab Active Head Restraint, a safety system that reduces the risk of whiplash injuries.

The new Saab 9-3 is the result of re-engineering of the Saab 900, including restyling of the 900's exterior and more than 1,000 technical improvements and interior design changes. The Saab 9-3 goes on sale in the North American market in April 1998.

The Saab 9-5 sedan has an all-new chassis with four-wheel independent suspension and two turbocharged powertrain choices.

Saab 9-5 safety systems include a rigid safety cage, triple-path five-stage front-end crash structure, Saab Active Head Restraint, four airbags (front and side), front-seat belt pretensioners and a collision deflector side-impact protection concept.

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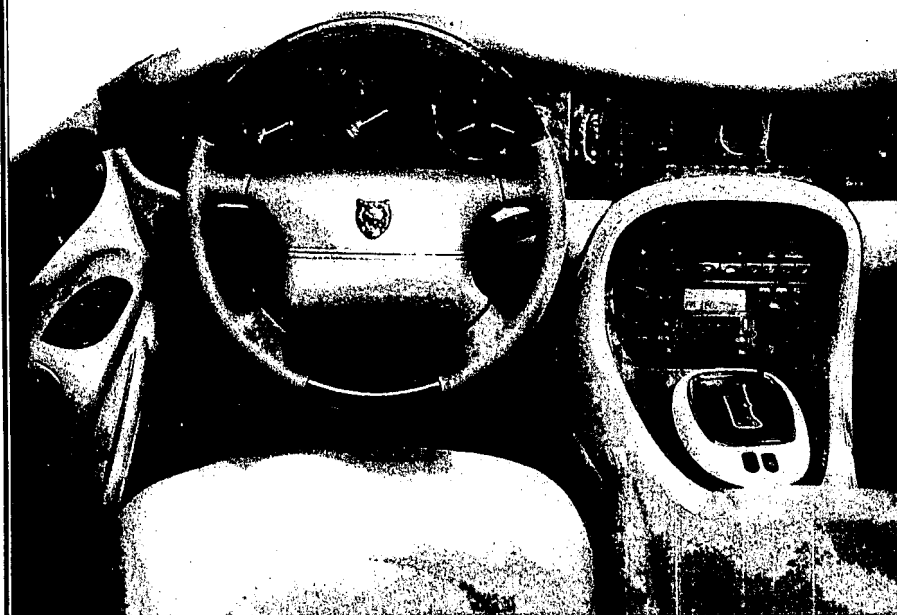
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