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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 secondranked 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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n 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

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.

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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 by
found on the Library of Congress
American Memory home page
(http://cweb2.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 Days!

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

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.

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.

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

Please see WATER PARK: A4

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 be in control.
Don't do anything reckless," said
Werner during a telephone interview Tuesday. Werner,
a hand surgeon who
lives in Indepen den te

is to always

Township, directs the ski patrol system at Rine Knob Ski Resort in Independence

Werner and Lutz offered tips for safe skiing after word came that former entertainer and politician Sonny Bond 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

"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 of 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 skindustry is going."

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

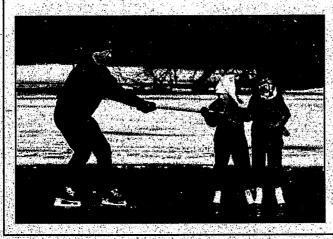
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Expanding

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

Slip, sliding away

Frozen Mill Pond makes for winter fun



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

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.

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

horizons:
Dori
Edwards,
new manager of Light:
house Clark
ston, hopes
to expand
the service
organization's clien

tele base and

move Light-

house 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; Approval of Minutes: Dec.

11, 1997 Regular Meeting b) Acceptance of December asurer's Report

c). Receipt of December Reports: Building, Electrical, Plumbing, Mechanical, Litigation, Fire and Ordinance

nd) 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 () 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 Devel-

Old Business: Development of Job Descrip-

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1. CAM Development Amendments to Zoning Ordinance 26 — First Reading

a) Civil Infractions, Section 23, b) Environmental Performance Standards, Articles II, XVII,

3. Policy for CDBG Funds for SADs

4. Fire Department Policies 5. Repair & Decorating— Andersonville Road Lower Apartment

6. Open Space Planning Work-

7. 1998 Goals & Priorities **Public Comment:**

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-1C Zone, Heather Lake Mead-

ows 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-1C 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-

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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: ov. 13. Dec. 4 & Dec. 11 Continuing Review:

Planner's Report:

Committee Report:

Staff 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

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 Man-

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.

2.1 Approval of Agenda 2.2 Approval of Minutes: Dec.

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

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

4. Reports/Presentations 4.1 Student Presentation: Pine Knob students

4.2 Employee Recognition: Linda Nester

4.3 Construction Report: Craig 4.4. Technology Update: Matt

McCarty

4.5 Furniture Report Recom mendations: Craig Kahler/Grein-

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-Instruc-

tional 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 Real Property and Negotia-

tions 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 Meet-

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. Reclassifications-Parks & Recreation

7. Non-Union Wage Adjust-8. Plante & Moran Engage-

ment 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 Sashabaw Middle School student Mary C. Gallen-

Mary, 13, was found Mary C. Gallentine 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 Diliegghio 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 devasM'All of her teachers spoke very highly of her. They were devastated.

> John Diliegghio SMS principal

tated," he said.

Diliegghio 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 president. 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 technologybased solutions for area small businésses.

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 cation 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

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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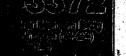
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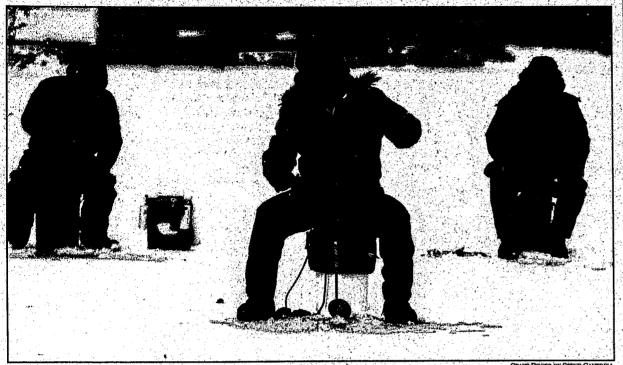












Good catch: Ice fisherman Steve Boroff (center) hooks a small fish on Mill Pond in downtown Clarkston last week when the ice was still frozen. This week, Boroff and other seafood lovers were better off buying frozen fillets from the grocery store. Warm temperatures made the Mill Pond and other Clarkston-area 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 Mar-ket, 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

"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

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

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 unex-plained 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 borns, 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 eceive assistance from associate pastor Dennis Henderson, who ill 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 Clarkstonarea 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 Jun. 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 Sunny-

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

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

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

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

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On Dec. 31, a cassette disc

half-foot tall potted spruce trees were reported stolen from Bordine Nursery on Dixie High-

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

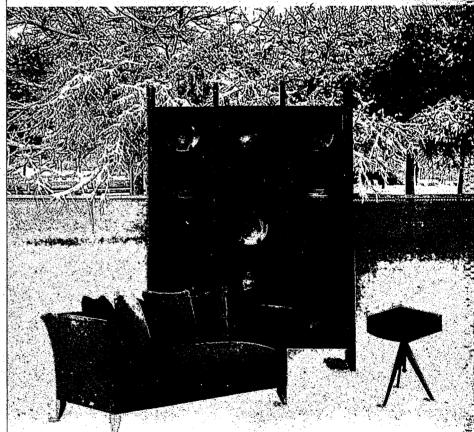
On Dec. 29, unknown persons shot a BB through a vehicle window while the vehicle was parked on Bigelow

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. cold remedy



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the Friends of the Indepen-dence 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

drägged off stage, the attendees will settle down for a fullcourse 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 Town-ship 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 mem-

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

"Their main purpose is to promote safety over the sport of ski-ing," 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

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

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 pro-

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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 encom-passes the 245-acre Timberland Sanctuary. Over the past year,

- 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 beach-

Springfield officials have strug-

gled with the concept, contend-ing that it could harm the rural

area surrounding the 2,250-acre

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

Lighthouse from page A1

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 peo-ple 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 Read,

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

"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

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 individu-

als get through the system."
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career and personal goals while she helped others. "I just became very involved with the needs of the community

field of counseling, Edwards

found that working with Light-

house helped her meet her

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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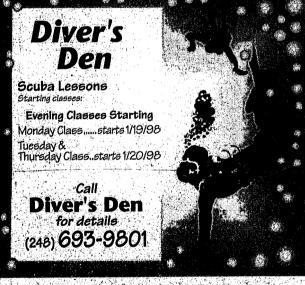
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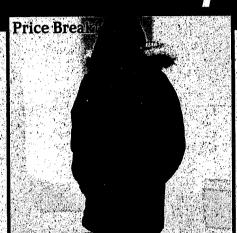
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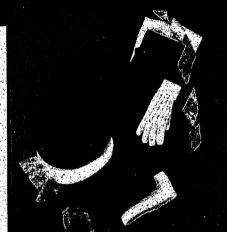
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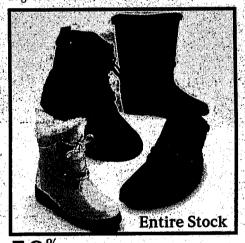
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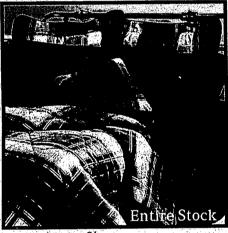
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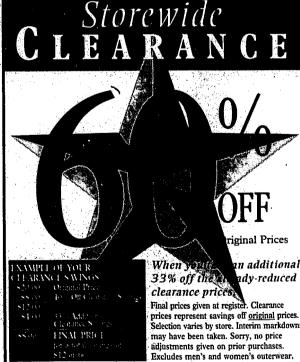
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Drug education

Having cops teach class is wise

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

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-

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 gradu-

ation program and school officials intend to use police officers as "co-teachers" for certain

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.

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■ 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

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

Prison not always an answer

ichigan's prisons are like Pac-Man in the video game, which incessantly consumes other creatures. Under the last two governors, the Correc-

tions 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 Raczkowski, 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

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 behavpunishment 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

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 egnant 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

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LETTERS

Mandela undeserving

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

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 Ponti-

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

Test a waste of students' time

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 collegebound 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

> **Austin Black** Seaholm High School

Boycott racial classifications

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. Some Americans believe the government of a country dedicated to liberty and equality under the law has no business asking Americans about their race. That is why some U.S. citizens are considering boycotting this system by refusing to disclose their race to the gov-

By boycotting the census question on race, you can help bring about the politicians' framework for "American apartheid" crashing to the ground. You should also know that by boycotting the census question on race, you risk being fined \$100. That's right: politicians and bureaucrats can punish us with a fine if we don't meekly answer all their nosy questions about race. The fine is rarely imposed, but the fact that it exists at all is offensive to all liberty-loving Americans and everyone else striving to achieve a more tolerant, color blind

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

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- Philip Power

POINTS OF VIEW

Most sweepstake entrants won't gamble on not buying

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

Michigan voters amended their confitution to permit a state lottery to henefit 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 deter-mined 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

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 receive 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

ECCENTRICITIES



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 fouting the benefits of sending in your sweep-

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

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 Clark-

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

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

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

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

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

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

list are unknown to the world. How about that overtired 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

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 latenight 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 Clarkston High School. Her column alternates with a column written by Clarkston Community Schools Superintendent Al Roberts.

Voucher leader softens stance

aul DeWeese has changed his tune about amending the Michigan Constitution to allow youchers and parochiaid.

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

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

"It's really not anywhere," DeWeese said of the parochiaid-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 ctive in that.'

Instead:

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

■ DeWeese is campaigning 30 hours a week the GOP nomination to succeed the termimited 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 till 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 Vicims 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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legonds, minority leader Ken Sikkema and Sen. Mike Rogers of Brighton.

If elected — and the district has been 70 per-cent 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,

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

Tim Richard reports on the local implications of state and regional events. His voice mail number is (734) 953-2047 ext. 1881.



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Federal judge to rule on state term limits

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 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 injunc tion 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 Gor-

The case has political overtones. Term limits generally have been. favored by conservatives. They contend a turnover in office is nec



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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 deci-sion 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 Dug-

ssary to keep a fresh, citizen-oriented gan to decide if there will be oral argu- that should be resolved in forums other

Judicial canons of ethics require a

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

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

than the courts." As written, Michigan's term limits judge to abstain from public comment amendment applies in 1998 to state repabout a pending proceeding. A clue to resentatives elected in 1992, The clock resentatives elected in 1992. The clock Duggan's thinking may come from a lididn't begin running on Gov. John 1986 Livonia Observer interview in Engler, Secretary of State Candice which he was quoted as saying. Miller, Attorney General Frank Kelley and the 38 state senators until 1994. Their official second terms don't expire

Term limits will affect 65 state officials this year, including Rep. Penny Crissman, R-Rochester, who also repre-

sents Orion, Oxford and Addison, and Rep. Tom Middleton, R-Ortonville, who also represents the city of Clarkston, Springfield, and Independence town-

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

very now and then I am remind-ed 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 legal-ly-sanctioned "right" for those who, because of health or emotional prob-

lems, no longer have a quality life. Aunt Eleanor was married to a carpenter who was often between jobs. especially during the Great Depres-sion! 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

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

Please see AUNT ELEANOR, A10



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 Stu-art 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 pink flamingos while he was there. He 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 Opti-

Brose, who was in Florida, bought 24

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

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 flaminges (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

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cross-country

to cross-country ski proper-ly, try something new and enjoy nature," recreation supervisor Jim Dunleavy said.

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a.m. to noon both days Learn to Ski

Days is sponsored by Play It Again Sports and Independence Township Park and Recre-ation. The cost is \$3 per person, \$9 per person with ski rental.

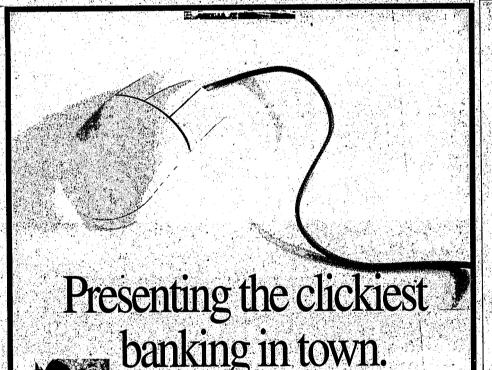
A staple of the Oakland County Parks winter schedule is the Observer. & Eccentric Ski School Jan. 18, Feb. 7. and 15 at Independence Oaks.

Clinics feature instruction in ski fund damentals.

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 &

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general business administration; Jennifer Ann Curd, BS, parks,

recreation and tourism: Jessica

Ann Hebert, BA, communica-tion; David Michael Muczyns-

ki, MA, curriculum and teach-

ing; Brenda Ann Schlatterbeck, BS, packaging; Brian David Trebilcock, BS, packag-ing; Kara Kathleen Wilkinson,

Christopher Woodward, BA,

Degree candidates for Davis-

burg for fall semester 1997 at Michigan State University in

East Lansing are: Mélissa Sloan Gedraitis, MS, mechan-

ics; Daniel Mark Reed, BA,

professional accounting, high

honors, and MBA professional

The following students from

Clarkston received scholarships from Walsh College in Troy:

Judith Hardy, Presidential Scholarship; Rena LaCroix, Walsh College Scholarship; Sara Lajavic, Walsh College Scholar-

ship: Marina Mantovani, Frank and Helen Gofrank Schol-

arship; Kenneth Septer, Walsh

College Scholarship; and Brant Wright, Walsh College Scholar-

ship.
The following student from

Davisburg also received a scholarship: Rosalind Robinson,

Walsh College Minority Scholar-

economics.

communication; and Eric

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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. Ger ald 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 bache-lor'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 man-

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.

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ACADEMIC ACHIEVERS

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

Faith Lysogorski, Paul Lep-ping, Jeff d'Argy and Joe Mil-lard, students at Oakland Tech-nical Center, Northwest campus, in Clarkston recently were awarded a Silver Emblem in the National FAA Nursery/Land-

Scaping 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 cover-ing 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 eted with chapters in their state for the privilege of partici-pating in the national event. FFA is a national organization

of 449,814 members preparing for careers in the science, busi-ness and technology of agriculture. The organization has 7,421

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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 improve-ments in the U.S. Automotive Industry and maintain a 3.25

Young lives, young loves were the casualties of Vietnam War

waited until one evening when I was alone in the office before I looked at the Michi-gan 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 forthcom ing monument to that war's vet-erans. 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 pre-

That time came weeks later as I was rummaging for some note book or another and I happened across the list—having forgot-ten 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 Christ-mas; 9/25/68, age 21, a South-field man died on my 18th birth-

I caught my breath and I held t 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

They don't make much out of first kisses" these days. Nothing like they used to. I guess our society has become too permis

sive for a milestone such as that



CAROLYN WALKER

Technically, T.S. didn't give me my first kiss. That privilege fell to the ubiquitous 6year-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 wn of "free love." Back then, a first kiss was something to savor — at least for some of us — espe-cially 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 tust 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.

According to the killed-inaction list provided by Bomier, the Oakland County men who gave their lives in Vietnam ranged in age from 18 to 48. lost 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

I realize now, from the van-tage 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

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,

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

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Aunt Eleanor from page A9

received from Aunt Eleanor contained that hand-scrawled cross.

I remember that she spoke fre-quently 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

Finally, God answered Aunt

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

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

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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

Funeral Home in Clarkston, will lead an informal discussion on how a person's loss history can impact his healing through grief. No registration required. Free of charge. For men and women of all ages recently widowed. Refreshments served, All area residents welcome. Any questions or if anyone would like to be on the mailing list, call Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home (810) 625-5231.

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DANCE FOR SPECIAL PEOPLE 7-9 p.m., Hart Community Center at the Mill Pond in Davisburg. Dance to the music of dee-jay 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.

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.

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

Street, Clarkston. CROSS-COUNTRY SKI

7;30 - 9;30 p.m. Independence Oaks County Park. Travel by the light of the moon. Participants must bring their own equipment and have previous cross-country skiing experience. Fee: \$1 per person. Registration required. Call (248) 625-6473, (248) 858-2684 or (888) OCPARKS.

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2 p.m., Indian Springs Metropark. Future astronauts can complete their "Sky Search" badge work during this program: Bring along a white or light-colored T-shirt. No siblings please. Fee: \$1 per scout, Registration required. Call (248) 625-7280 or (800) 477-3192.

SUNDAY, JAN. 11 STARS AND STORIES

1 & 3 p.m. Indian Springs Metropark. Scouts, families and homeschoolers are invited to bring a white or light-colored T shirt to this stellar program. For earthling and aliens age 6 and up. Fee: \$10 per carbon-based life form. Registration required Call (248) 625-7280 or (800) 477-

SUNDAY & MONDAY, **JAN. 11-12 AUDITIONS**

3 p.m. Sunday, 8 p.m. Monday. Clarkston Village Players. Depot Theater, White Lake Road, next

to the railroad tracks. Auditions for "Act of Imagination." A mys-tery writer has turned out a vivid and adulterous romance His wife, son and woman editor all marvel at the truthfulness of the work, especially since it is inconceivable that he has ever had an affair. Enter the other woman — intent on blackmail with an airtight story. When she disappears, the evidence points to the writer, A conspiracy plot develops as this whodunit unfolds. Auditions follow the voice workshop. If unable to meet the audition dates, contact Melvin Case 666-1619 or Verne Vackaro 666-3094.

MONDAY, JAN. 12 HOMESCHOOLER'S ASTRONOMY

1 p.m. Indian Springs Metropark. Aspiring homeschooled astronomers age 8 and up can bring a white or light col-ored T-shirt and prepare to uncover the mysteries of the universe. Siblings are welcome but must sit quietly. Fee: \$1 per space cadet. Registration required, Call (248) 625-7280 or (800) 477-3192.

TUESDAY -WEDNESDAY. JAN. 13-14

GAMBLING BY THE LAKE

8 a.m. Tuesday. Join Independence Township Seniors at Bay Mills Resort and Casino on Lake Superior. Tour includes roundtrip motor coach transportation, lodging, dinner, breakfast, gambling at Bay Mills, Kewadin & St. Ignace, baggage handling, taxes and tips. Fee: \$99 based on double occupancy. Tour prepared and directed by Seniors Unlimited, Inc. Call (248) 625-8231 to register.

FRIDAY, JAN. 16 RECREATION FOR SPECIAL PEOPLE

7-9 p.m., Hart Community Center at the Mill Pond in Davis-burg. Bingo. Refreshments. No charge. While NWOCS, a volunteer organization, provides recre-ational activities, caregivers : have responsibility for direct supervision of participants. Call 634-9570.

SATURDAY, JAN. 17

TUNING YOUR TOT WORKSHOP 10 a.m. - noon. Independence Oaks Nature Center. Workshop for parents and teachers who want new ideas for nature crafts, songs, snacks and activities. \$10 per adult. Registration required. Call (248) 625-6473, (888) OCPARKS or TDD (248) 858-

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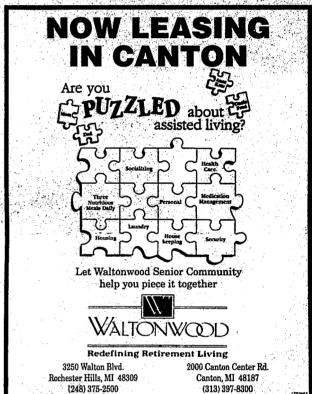
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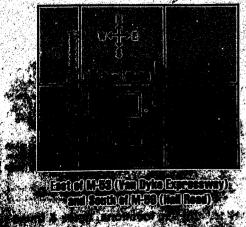


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Metropark improvements are everywhere in 1998

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

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

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

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, traising 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

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

Political uncertainties with Harrison Township officials cre-

ated a delay in awarding con-struction 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 U.S. Army Engineers for the construction of the \$500,000 **Lake Erie** Shore-line Trail." With its wave pool Lake Erie has leaped into third place, just behind Metro Beach, as a revenue-producer for

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 cours

The major new acquisition will bé 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

Washtenaw County — Hudson Mills will see road and tennis court repairs, a pesticide storage building and general equipment; Dexter and Delhi have planning

Lower Huron and Willow, straddling I-275 in southern Wayne County — completion of a 3.2-mile trail started last year. Villow 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 sup-

ression program. Oakwoods, downstream from ower Huron and Willow \$10,000 for a new cance 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

Do you know a longtime does 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 Seryice 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

"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 nom-ination forms, which can be obtained through the MCSC, is 5 p.m. Feb. 13. Award categories span vol-

unteerism by youth, seniors, educators, media organizations and businesses.

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

ing 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 it's fifth year, the service awards program has saluted more than 800 Michigan citi-

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

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

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, incent said.

Vincent, who was with the Michigan Employment Relations Commission for 24 years, now is resident 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 (1-96 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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Fine supporting casts give Clarkston's wrestling, basketball teams solid shots

ast 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 close-

ly, you'd probably get Ryan L'Amore-aux, 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 rosser) But you get you going 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 pro-grams — Roseville and Warren Lin-

coln — 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 deci-

"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. Frevor 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-sec-ond 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 tour-

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Cagers get rare easy win over Chippewa Valley

hen 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.

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 Cen-

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

sparked the first-period burst fo 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

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 KADRICH 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'Amôreaux (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 impres-

sive 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 Clark-ston started by pinning Charlie Ireland

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



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, we weren't sure what we would get there," Clarkston coach Mike DeGain said. "That was the key

The Panthers scratched back with

three straight wins, but Matt Edwards stopped that run by pinning Eric Gal-los 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 Hendershot 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

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SPECIAL WRITER

their match again West Bloomfield Monday, the Clarkston volley-ball 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 victo-

"There's a learning curve you get into as a team, particularly since we're relatively inexperienced," said Clark-ston 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

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 Conland. 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 Gordie Richardson times tonight where Clarkston volleyball coach 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

But in the second set, it was West Bloomfield making the mistakes and not communicating. The Wolves led 7and 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 KIRSON

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 intermis- Valley

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 enior forward Angelo Taylor Edded a free throw to extend the gad to 40-21. The Big Reds rever 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 To 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 betfer (Tuesday)," Dane Fife said. "We know (Big Red) coach (Kayin) Voss is a good coach, His teams always play well against

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

"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 Antoniò 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 over-came 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 9of-23 from the floor and 18 points, and the senior guard added 11 rebounds and three

McGrath league continues to benefit kids

BY MIKE SCOTT SPECIAL WRITER

During the past decade, there s 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

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 bas kethall 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

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



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

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 attending home games wearing

lives in the Clarkston com-munity who plays basket-ball and didn't grow up play-ing McGrath as well," said

When the program first started, Fife utilized parents to a large degree, but became convinced it would be even more effective using high school players. This arrangement has many benefits, allowing the youngsters in the elementary and junior high schools to become familiar with the Wolves' high school players,

and gets them involved and interested in Clarkston basket-ball. Any fan of the Wolves has become accustomed to seeing a large number of young fans

Clarkston gear. It also helps II 'I'm very proud of the Fife's players

program and what it stands for.' Dan Fife -Clarkston hoop coach

> from a teaching level. In addition, it establishes an interest in coaching for a number of Clarkston players.

better

understand

the game and

experience basketball

"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

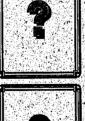
larger gymnasium. This past summer, Clarkston held its first summer basketball camp for youths in a number of years, with such players as Duke freshman and reigning Mr. Basketball Shane Battier, former University of Michigan player Dugan Fife, and Grand Valley State University's Tim Wasilk and Jeremy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

counselops 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

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







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Wrestling from page B1.

Clarkston 62, Warren Lincoln 11: The Wolyes 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 tech-

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 secondplace 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

January thaw has wreaked havoc on southeastern 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.

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OUTDOOR INSIGHTS

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

 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 flota-tion 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 sav-

ing 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 fatals. Last year was the safest season

on record with a total of 16 accidonts and one fatal. "Firourms, door 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 Divi-

sion. "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

eems 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.)

non-fatal accidents occurred while a hunter was loading a firearm. (Know your rearm 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

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

March 12

February 12

February 4, 16 March 4, 16

April 1, 20 May 6, 18

June 3, 15

July 9

August 13 September 10 October 8



number of different players

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

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

Co-captain Jenny McCue also posted strong offensive numbers

with five kills.

tive 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 impor-

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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

"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 prac-

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

tices, and we try to get better every game." lives happily ever after. The Wolves travel to Pontiac P155/80R-13 P165/80R-13 P175/80R-13 175/70R-13 P205/75R-15 P185/75R-14 こりつい P195/75R-14 P225/75R-15 P205/75R-14 ANY SIZE LISTED! RADIAL METRIC ALL SEASON SEASON \mathbf{S} TRUCK VAN & PRICERI SCOUNT BECAUSE SO MUCH IS RIDING ON YOUR TIRES! Radial T/A* P175/708-13 P185/708 -14.....54.99 P215/708 -15.....72.99 P205/708 -14......62.99 P205/858 -15.....88.99 XW4 / XZ4 Radial All-Terrain T/A° EAGLE RH

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January 7, 19
July 1, 20
July 1, 20
August 5, 17 August 5, 17 September 2,21 October 7, 19 Noember 4, 16

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

August 20

October 15

September 17 October 15 April 16 May 21 June 18 November 19 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

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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, Mf 48350.

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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 Springtield

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Outdoor Calendar

OUTDOOR CLUBS

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 meting 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 Kudej at (313) 591-0843 for more information

FISHING BUDDYS

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

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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

The Challenge Chapter of Trout Unlimited and Birmingham Continuing Education will offer a 10week fly tying class beginning at 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 19, at Birmnghạm 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 Unitari-an Church in Southfield. Call (248) 932-5370 for more informa-

SHOOTING RANGES

BALD MOUNTAIN

Bald Mountain Recreation Area in Lake Orion has shotgun (skeet & trap, sporting clays, 5stand), 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 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 informa

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. Satur-days 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.

1998 PERMITS

The 1998 Huron-Clinton Metroparks annual vehicle entry permits and boat launching permits are on sale at all Metropark offices. Vehicle entry permits are \$15 (\$8 for senior citizens). The annual boat launching permits are \$18 (\$9 for senior citizens). Call 1-800-47-PARKS for more information

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 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-

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 recv-

cling 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 Wednes-

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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).

Non-resident fee or local parks and recreation policy in effect.

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Birmingham 9.) Ann Marle Curley, Beverly Hills

10.) Dennis Fitzgerald 11.) Mike Freedman, Washington, D.C

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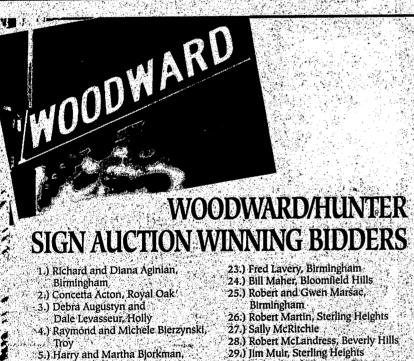
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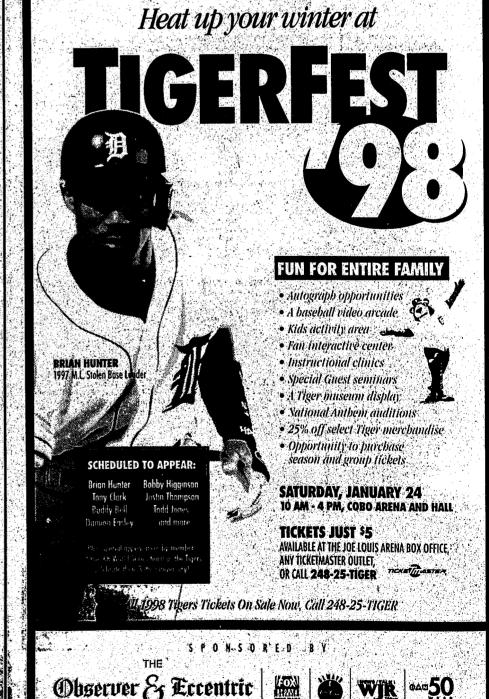
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■ The Observer & Eccentric Ski School will hold sessions on Jan. 17, Feb. 8 and Feb. 14 at Addison Oaks and Jan. 18, Feb. 7 and Feb. 15 at Independence Oaks: Sessions are 10 a.m.-noon and 1:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m. Cost is \$7/lesson and \$13/lesson with ski rental:

Calendar

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.

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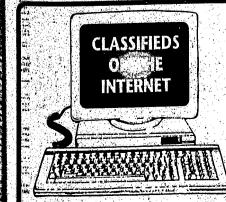
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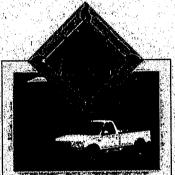
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And that's a good day. Maybe feelin' jinxed by a sadistic god who throws wild curves and builds unsurmount-

able 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 Wednes-

day.
"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 blusical, written by Alabaman Keith Glover with songs by Grammy Award-win-ner 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 lues musicians who sit, strum and pick as easily as rocking on out melodrama or over-the-top easily wins the guitar that

unds/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 dimen-sion. 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

But foremost, "Thunder" is an entertaining love story, said

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 supernat-ural 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 daugh-ter, Glory, a sightless slick-playing bluesmith who's part Blind Lemon Jefferson and part howling Sadie McKinney.

Junior, whose blues are more brayado than inspiring is easy pickings for the cagey Thunder. In the dual of "my blues are

Door," a musical writ-oten by Keith Glover and directed by Gary Anderson, Original music by Keb' Mo' Anderson Edwards and Keith Glover When: Continues

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through Sunday, Feb. 1. Performances 8 p.m. Tuesday Satur-day; 2 p.m. Wednes-day, Saturday & Sun-day; 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 iles, (248) 370-3316.

Cast: Marion M. Bai-ley (Jaguar, Jr.), Chari-ty Clark (Good Sister), Luray Cooper (Marvel Thunder), Herb Downer (Dregster), Keesha Fleth (Glory)

Jaguar Dupree made for his

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

So, Thunder aims for Glory." Perhaps a case where the metaphor is just a bit too obvi-ous. 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

But first, the wager with Thunder has to inspire the kind of anxiety needed to fuel any deep-scated 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

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

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 play-house in New York City before joining Meadow Brook last sea-

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

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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 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 want-ed 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 origi-nals, cookin' covers, and the comedic interludes and party atmosphere of its live shows. "Out style is trombone driven

arty 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 http://www.bugsbeddow.com, Har-

mony 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 Please see BUQS, C2



"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'



satire from Barry Levinson, from works on the premise that Washington spin doctors have such power over the masses that they can stage a fake war. You'll likefake view the

the new political

whole picture with a smug smile on your face, laughing to yourself at how the American people can be so easily.

But, when you get right down 'Wag the Dog" uses its own backhanded methods 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 auccess-fully 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 Motsa (Dustin Hoffman), he creates his own television, fabricating heart-wrenching devastation

and even penning a national

Despite its excellent ensemble "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 pro-ducing, 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.

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 of 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 uptight press secretary. William H. Macy as a CIA opera-tive, 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 wildcreative 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 "improvising" as the psychotic prison inmate-turned-

appreciate Hoffman and De Niro all the more. Unfortunately, movies like "Wag the Dog" movies like wag the Dog belong back in the days of "Dr. Strangeloye" 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. Eyen 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 touchtone phone, mailbox 1866.

Winter is perfect time for sampling local art scene



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

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

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 co respondent Blair Anderson will host an in-studio performance from "A Closer Walk with Patsy

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 limita-

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

ments 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 arnegie Hall. At one point he's playing Sheky Green, with one liners, and he adapts so nicely and interacts so well with the audience."

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 refreshaway." 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

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

Although his parents preferred that he become a dentist. Bedearned a bachelor's degree in music education from North-ern 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 Salamanders. Beddow also spent time filling in for musicians who supported Maynard Ferguson.

În 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 Bed-dow, who appeared in the 1992 Oliver Stone film "Hoffa."

"I have five guys to work with.

I get every ounce of sound out of

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 Gyra, 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 incep-

tion 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 fac-

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

racial and cultural boundaries. Yet clearly, this isn't a play writ-

Rather it's across perceived ten by a leading African-Ameri-

can playwright such as Pearl Cleage, Eugene Lee or Shay Youngblood. Without political rhetoric or racial overtones, "Thunder" offers an entertaining plea ather 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 atudied the script, then called Gary Anderson, founder and executive director of Plowshares Theatre Company, a small theater group with an exclusive African-American focus in its

drama repertoire. Meadow Brook attempted to collaborate with Plowshares on August Wilson's "The Piano Les-son" early last season, and finally partnered with the Detroitbased theater group on the auda-

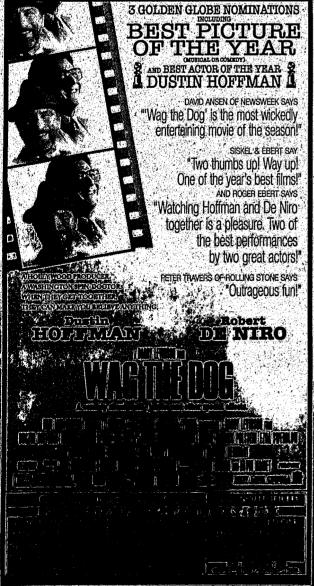
cious "I Am A Man," written by OyamO (Charles Gordon), a Michigan-based playwright who is also on the faculty in the University of Michigan Drama Department.

Based on garbage workers strike, "I Am A Man" was unmis-takably 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

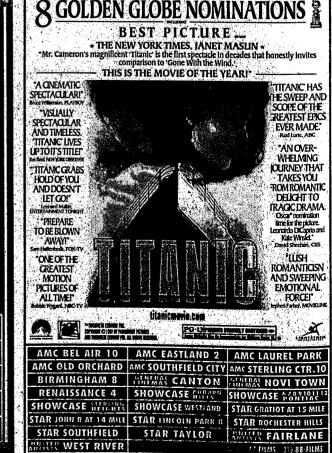
fare of Neil Simon, Lillian Hell-

man 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.

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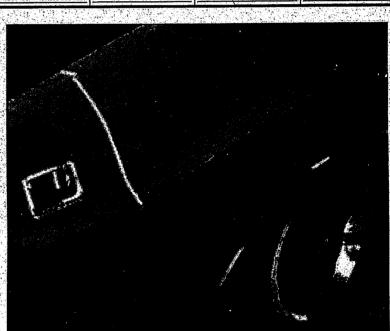
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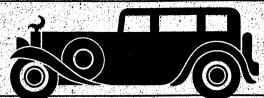
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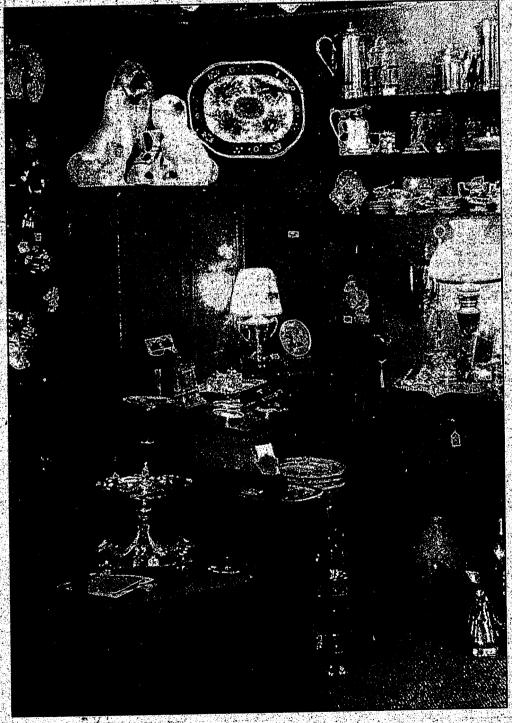
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Knowing law will protect consumers



JOE GAGNON

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 con: sumers against the unethical who take millions of dollars from the unsuspect-

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

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 ser-

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

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 it 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

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

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

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

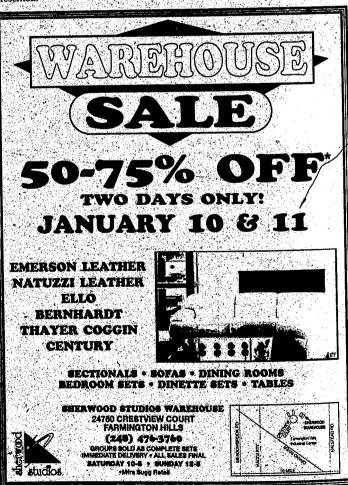
The Michigan Consumer Protection Act will continue next week.

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

Clarification

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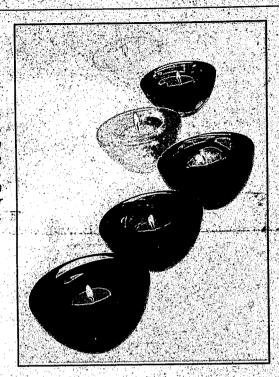
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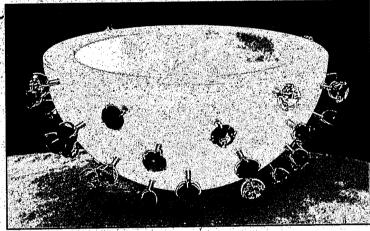


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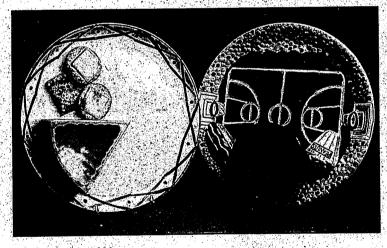
Dazzling

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
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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 Bioomifield (call (248) 737-8080).

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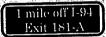
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MARTY FIGLEY

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 Aloë 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 allments, 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 outermostleaves 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



Aloe there: Keep a pot of Aloe vera in your home as an excellent aid for skin prob-

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.

3 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 NAGLE

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 right, they can survive many years in the same pot. If reporting 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 pois; some are A. variegala, A. humilis and A. brevifolia; larger ones include A. barbadensis, A. ciliaris, A. striata and A. arborescens.

Many Figley is an advanced master gardener based in Birmingham. You can leave her a message by dialing (313) 953-2047 on a fouch-tone phone, then her mailbox number, 1859; Her fax number is (248) 644-

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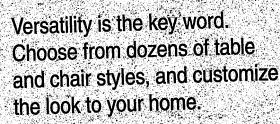
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French connection: Monica Kemper (seated) of Solomon Suchard Antiques offered 18th; 19th and early 20th century French pottery at last year's St. James Antiques Show in Birmingham.



Memories: House of Memories of Rochester Hills offered a variety of antique items.

Antiques show warms up winter days

By MARY KLEMIC At Home Editor

Start the new year with a look at the old -

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, Antiques of Traverse Ci wine and first option to buy available items Bookseller of Harsens I. – is scheduled 6:30-9 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 15. Antiques of Washington.

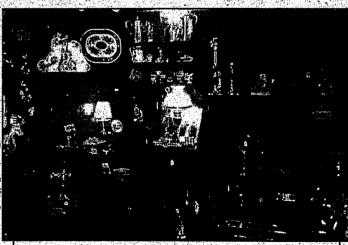
Tickets are \$40 and reservations are preferred. For preview party or other information, call the church at (248) 644-0820.

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





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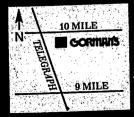
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Friends help in keeping resolution



RUTH MOSSOK JOHNSTON

My 1998 resolution is to take off the extra pounds I've carrying been around for the past year, and keep them

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 Liv ing - 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 "Lets 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

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 guilt to

make it the focus of attention. And,

illowing the quilt to hang most of the way to the floor helps to blend it sufficiently

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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 teas roons lemon juice
- 1/2 teaspoon dried tarragon
- 1 cup vegetable broth.
 1 tablespoon comstarch as a second
- 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
- 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 meditim heat. Add the shallots or onions and the mushrooms. Saute 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. Saute 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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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 Iones.

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 Valce Mall 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 Iroy 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

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■ 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.

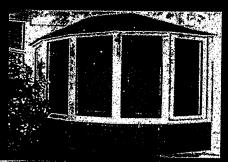


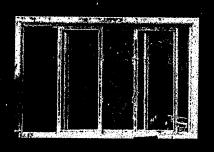


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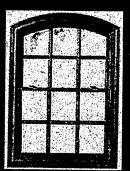


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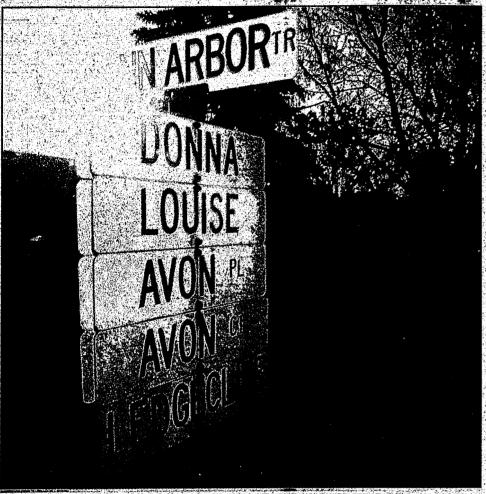




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STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHEL Moniker lane: Streets have: been named for people, places and things.

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A street named Sue

BY NORMAN PRADY SPECIAL WRITER

Do you know any children named Oak Leaf Lane, Riverbank South, Sand Trap Ridge, Deer Park Drive or Inaugural

If so, they might one day have a better chance than a Matthew or a Hannah to become street

You see, there was a time when many land developer's children could hope to see their names on street signs in newly planned subdivisions. But those dreams appear to be get-ting pushed aside in the name of marketing.

So the idea of Sally Street. Andrew Avenue, Laura Lane and Donna Drive just might be fading into street-sign sunset as theme-based naming rises.

"Generally, we have a theme," said Ellen Whitefield, vice president of the Selective Group, developers and builders in Farmington Hills.

When Selective built a Bloomfield Hills condo community that was "very exclusive," Whitefield said, the company wanted street names that sounded like that and had that feel. They chose English names such as Kings Point and Kings

But in Selective's first days in the early 1980s, Whitefield reports, some children's names were used, and, somewhere in Farmington Hills, are Bradley Court and Justin Way, among others.

Now, she said, "We try to think it through."

Thinking it through means working to create a concept and sales proposition based, often on. the geography and topography or some special feature of development, perhaps woods, water, a golf course

"I wish I could tell you there was some magic or some science to it," said Deen Hyde, director of marketing for Pulte Homes of Michigan.

It depends on the place, she It also depends on whether someone else got to the names first. For Pulte's Creekside Village in Rochester, Hyde

said, "all the creek names were

What's taken and what's posible are monitored by the subdivision's local government or a county's road commission. A prime concern is the danger of duplication within a limited area, which could result in the fire engines going to the wrong place. If there's a Smith Street in one corner of a township, or in an adjoining township, you likely won't be allowed to put a: new Smith Street in another

Growth throughout the metro area and the accompanying proliferation of names is making avoidance of duplication ever more challenging, according to Dennis Acre of the Oakland County Road Commission. The appropriately named Acre has been working with land developers for 28 years. He's super-visor of the Subdivision Improvement and Development Division.

The road commission's traffic safety department générally has the final say on street names, Acre said, adding that developers are "becoming more sophisticated" in their submissions and often present more names than needed in order to facilitate approval.

Acre said he thinks children's names are rarely submitted now "because all those names are used" and because of marketing considerations.

In his years of traveling the street-naming world, Acre said he's never come across naughty or obscene words proposed as street names, in contrast to the secretary of state's reported experience with personalized license plate requests.

Also open to the requesting party is the spelling of a name, Acre said. For example, "Soozey" for the more conventional "Susie" would be namer's

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

Levine, president and thirdgenerator operator of Irvine, a

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company that doesn't do chile dren's names, said they came close 40 or more years ago when they named Irvine Street in Oak Park during that city's early development.

Steve Robinson, vice president Silverman Development! in Farmington Hills, also said that company tries to keep street names to the subdivi-sion's theme and likes to "highlight natural features" within

'A roundtable discussion between our development group and our marketing group, Robinson said, is how Silverman Development name streets. They like to submit 10 names for five streets, he said to improve the odds of accept

If you have antlered animals bounding about in your new development, you might consider street names such as Fawn Drive, Elk Drive and Whitetail Drive, as Donald Van Every did in one of his subdivisions.

Van Every, owner and president of Streamwood Develop ment, 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.

Two other names are especially pleasing to him, both in his Heritage Oaks subdivision in Rochester Hills with streets

named for U.S. presidents.
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, prove ing that it's still possible for any American child to grow up to be a street.





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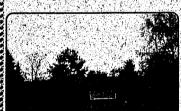
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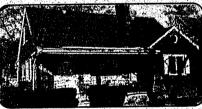
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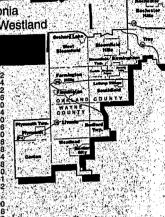
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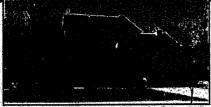
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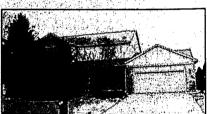


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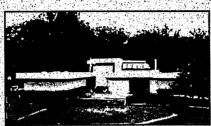
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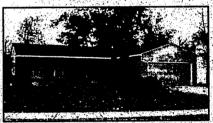
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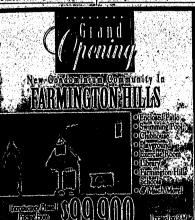
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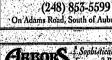
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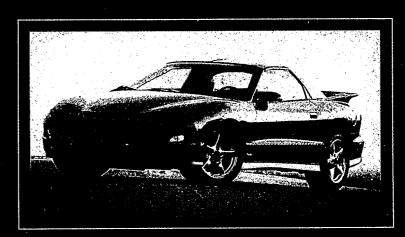
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Concept vehicles take center stage at Cobo Center auto extravaganza

tional 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

Bertone, Ital Design, Pininfarina (Italian designers sponsored by Michelin), Dodge Motorsports, Ford Motorsports, GM Corpo-rate-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, ItalDe-sign 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 performanceluxury 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,

BMW Z07 Design Study BMW's Z07 Design Study will make its North American debut at the auto show in Detroit, hav-ing made its worldwide premiere

at the Tokyo Motor Show in

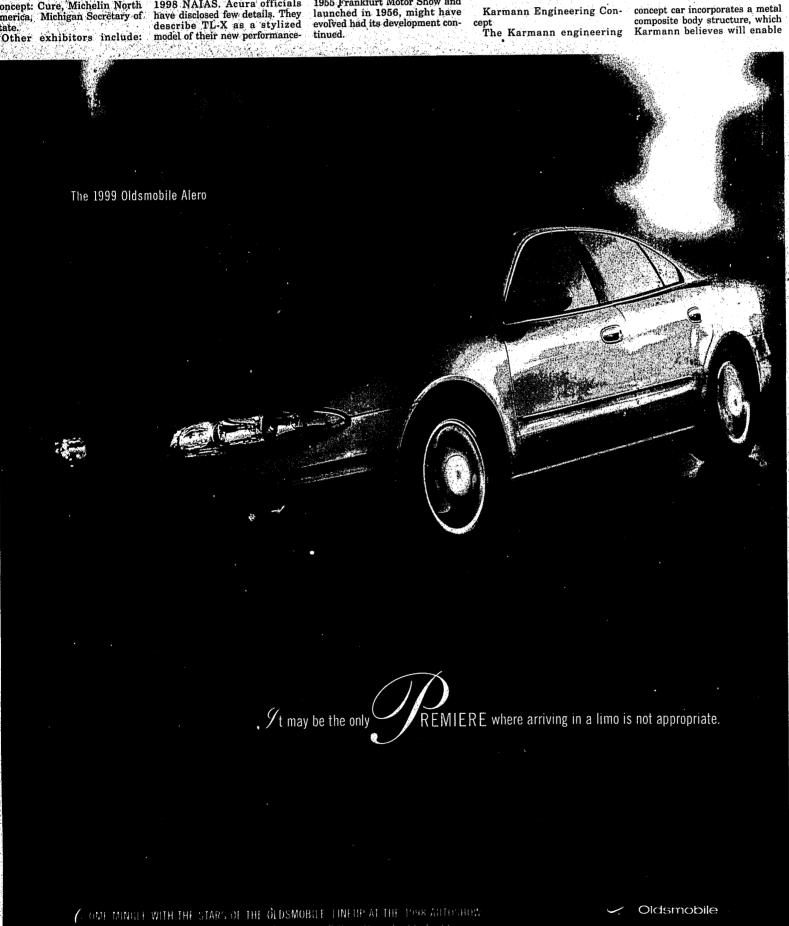
The Z07 Design Study is how BMW designers think the BMW 507 sports car, introduced at the 1955 Frankfurt Motor Show and



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.

equipment manufacturers to produce variations at a reasonable cost with minimum complexity.

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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 nostal-gia will entice Baby Boomers to buy one for either themselves or their kids.

the first quarter of 1998, four years after a look-alike concept vehicle was unveiled to rave reviews at the 1994 Detroit auto

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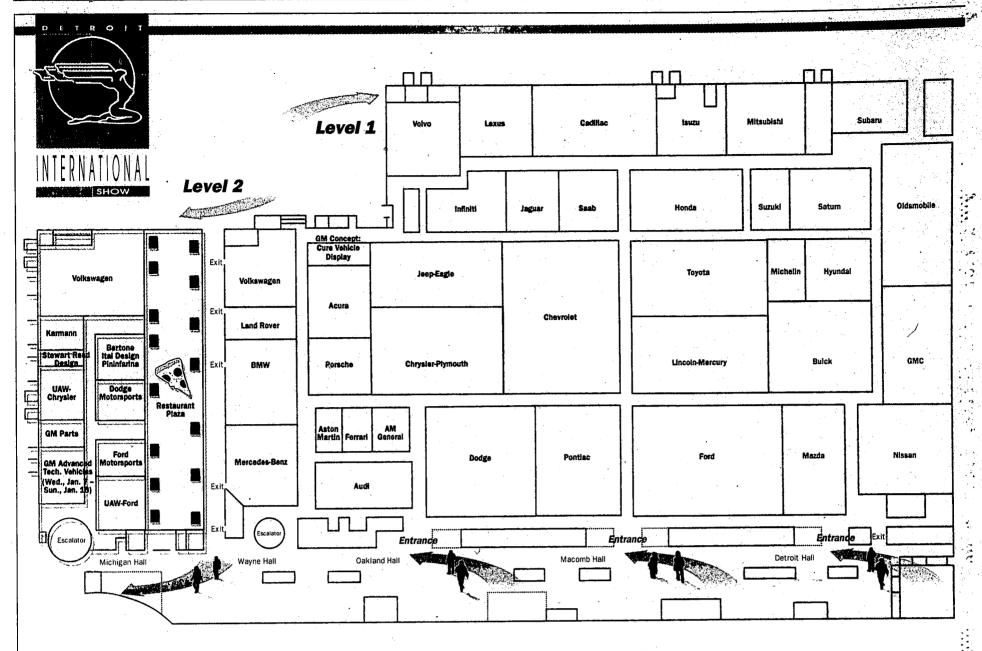
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Chrysler products evoke passion, target speed and growth for '98

BY CAROL COMMAND SPECIAL WRITER

Regardless of whether it's memories of a big, red truck that rev 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 requirements," said Martin R. Levine, General Manager 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 Expresso package to add to the cool personality of the entire product line-up, says Chrysler Public Relations

The Plymouth Breeze Expresso package includes 14-inch wheel covers, accent color on the front and rear fascias and a unique interior fabric. A spoilertype 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 topof-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 inte-rior 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 practi-cal," 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-horse power, 335-ft-lb torque 5.9-liter Magnum V-8. This and the two

smaller engines available in the Dakota will be mated to fourspeed 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



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.



New In '98; The market entry-level model of Neon will be offered in the Expresso package.

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The first Detroit Auto Dealers Association-operated show was called the Detroit Auto Show.

Held in 1907 at Beller's Beer Garden (near the Belle Isle bridge) it is the longest-running auto show in the country, running every year (except for a few years during and after World War I and World War II) since that first show.

There were 17 exhibitors showing 33 vehicles at the 1907

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

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 singlefloor 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 economismpact 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.

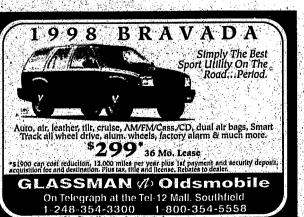
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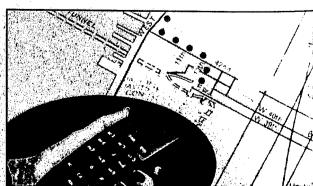
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Topless Corvette headlines Chevy's revitalized lineup of cars, trucks

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.

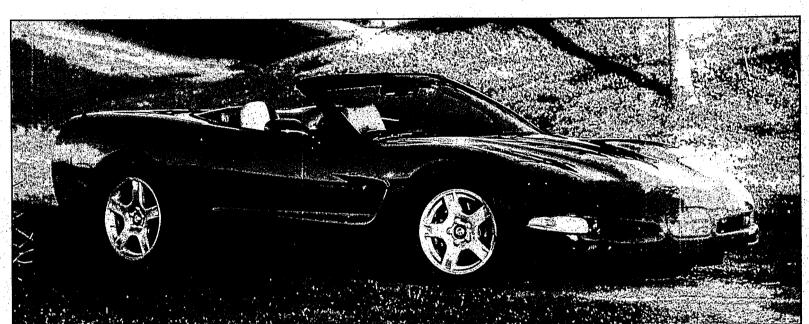
Chevy, today.

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 stoplight. 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-/ 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

overall stability, cross-bar Prizm with long list of this year's improvements. Prizm, considered "Best Buy" by Conbraces were added to the suspension cradle and engine. Other changes made are a cup sumer Reports, has one of he most extensive safety feature holder added where the rear ashtray once was, a lower hoodlists in its class, says Chevy Communications. That includes line for better visibility, two trip odometers and an on-board optional side air bags and stanrefueling vapor recovery system dard Daytime Running Lamps that increase to full power autothat keeps gasoline fumes out of matically at dusk. The new aluminum 16-valve 1.8 Liter your car -- a feature expected to be required on all cars by the

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added to the chassis and for

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.

year 2000. The Prizm has a lot

of new details worth looking at.

Onstar

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system is a hands-free, voiceactivated 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 midsize 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 varrants 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

Since 1948, customers have purchased more than 26 million -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 allnew 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 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 horsepow-

SecuriLock anti-theft system. Either engine comes with fourspeed 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

rear-seat passengers. A Windstar sport a new front fascia and the Family Entry System. The system Limited will offer extras such as consists of a driver's door that's 6 16-inch aluminum wheels and interior stitched mats and woodinches longer and a tip-slide front bucket seat for easier loading of grain appliqués. 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-

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 40percent less.

The P2000 is also equipped with Ford's all-new, aluminum .2-liter DIATA engine. Ford believes the DIATA engine is the lowest-emission, highest power density, direct injection engine ver 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

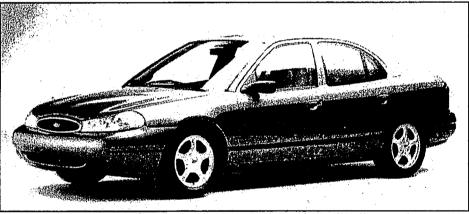
Mercury introduces the 1999 Cougar, a four-seat sports coupe which is the first car in North America to feature Ford's New Edge design.

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 Super-Cab 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



down "conversation" mirror aimed

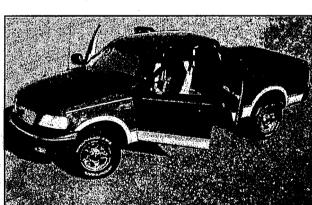
at keeping a quick eye on the

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

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.









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 XKS.

Strong enthusiasm for the KK8 a styling was immediately apparent from the press and show spectators. The design team's dramatic departure from the KJS, predecessor of the KK8 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 KJS? 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.

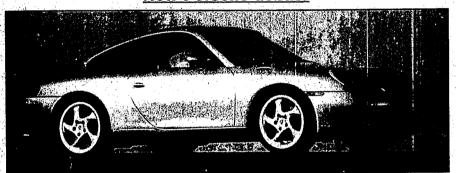
Designers revised the audiosystem to accommodate an integrated telephone keypad and modified the steering-wheelmounted audio controls for the optional, dealer-installed cellular telephone.

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



Unvelled: 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 dactivate 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 horizontallyl opposed, six-cylinder boxer moter 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.

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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 suc as th 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 allnew chassis with four-wheel independent suspension and two turbocharged powertrain choic-

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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