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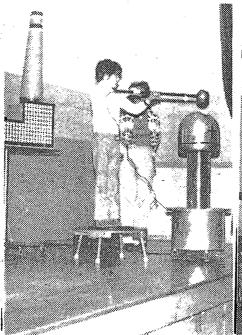
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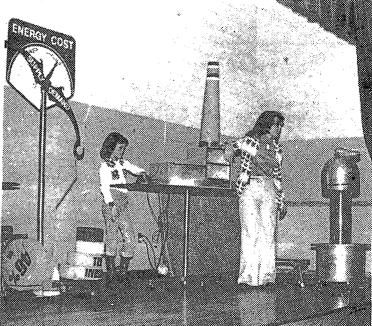
Thursday, March 23, 1978



Renae Cook demonstrates solar energy as a source of power using a toy train with solar panels on top and two electricity. sun lamps.



Todd Rundfelt held the wand in a demonstration of static electricity.



Terease Pate helped Ms. Cook show how factory smoke can be controlled with the use of a hydrostatic precipitator.

School Filing Deadline April 10

School election time is near with the deadline for filing nominating petitions set at 4:00 p.m., Monday, April 10.

Each candidate is required to have a minimum of 20 signatures of registered voters in the Clarkston School District, which also includes parts of Waterford and Springfield Townships. There must be a separate petition for each township although the total number of signatures remains the same.

There is only one position open on the school board this year as President David Leak's term is expiring. Leak has indicated that he will not seek reelection.

Petitions may be picked up at the administrative offices on Clarkston Road during regular business hours.

Incumbents Win in Clarkston

On the March 13 Clarkston Village Council election, seven members were elected despite a poor voter turnout. Less than 20 percent of the village's 531 registered voters turned out for the balloting where seven people were running unopposed for seats on the Village Council and no propositions were on the ballot.

Six of the seven elected are incumbents, with the one new member of the Council being Michael Thayer, who was elected a trustee. The single write-in candidate was Karen Sanderson who was an unsuccessful Council candidate last year, but made a strong showing this year.

The final election results were: Keith Hallman, president 63
Artemas Pappas, treasurer 85
Bruce Rogers, clerk 76
Ralph Thayer, assessor 71
Jackson Byers, trustee 65
Fontie ApMadoc, trustee 65
Michael Thayer, trustee 56

School Board Makes Boundary Changes

by Carol Balzarıni

At the March meeting of the Clarkston School Board, a number of decisions were made directly affecting the

One student-related item on the agenda had to do with junior high school attendance boundaries.

Two subdivisions, Highwood or "Birdland" and Chapel View Estates, will now be in the Sashabaw Junior High School area. Highwood students had been given the option in recent years of either beingbussed to Sashabaw or walking to Clarkston. That option has now been removed.

According to a report by administrative assistant Mel Vaara, this decision was necessitated by the fact that Clarkston Junior's enrollment has increased by some forty students since the fourth Friday count last September while Sashabaw's has remained stable.

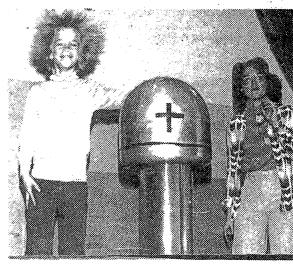
Next year's ninth graders will be given the opportunity to finish at Clarkston, but after that all students from those two subdivisions will attend Sashabaw.

Although only a small number of students will be affected immediately, Vaara felt the boundary change would have a greater impact in the future.

Letters will be sent to the families involved and a meeting for parents scheduled at Sashabaw Junior High in the near future.

Other board action involved changing the calendar of the Northwest Oakland Vocational Education Center (NOVEC) to coincide with other nearby school districts

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Jeff Glime thought the whole assembly was a hair-raising experience.

Davisburg Students Learn About Energy

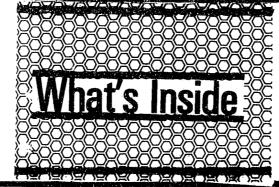
Fourth, fifth and sixth grade students at Davisburg Elementary were treated to a special assembly recently. The subject was "Energy Today and Tomorrow."

Renae Cook, representing Oak Ridge Associated Universities in Tennesee, brought her traveling science show to Davisburg to give the students an idea of how energy in generated, how it is used, what the demands for it are, and how it can be conserved, all in an entertaining way.

The traveling show, one of 27 currently on the road, is sponsored in Michigan by Consumers Power Company. Ms. Cook and her show can be found in a different school nearly every day.

A fed up Independence Firefighter answers critics on page 3

One of the area's most prominent entertainers is interviewed on page 22



Marilyn takes her on-the-job training to Pontiac Central High School. See page 24

Steve Dice tells us how to combat inflating property taxes. See page 5

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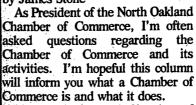
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We Care

by James Stone



The North Oakland Chamber of Commerce is one of the county's oldest organizations. It was founded

in 1910 and it has been a vital organization since its inception. Webster defines a Chamber of Commerce as "An association established to defend and further the business interests of its community." I would agree with this definition and enlarge on it. Our 600 members, from all walks of business life, are committed to protecting and furthering the free enterprise system. This system is the foundation upon which this great nation has been built; a system that allows personal choice, individual liberties and the opportunity for achievement based on personal efforts. There are serious challenges to the Free Enterprise System today. Many among us wish to alter, tear down or completely destroy the greatest economic system ever known to mankind. Each of us, in our own way, must rise in defense of this system, for we all benefit from it. Ours is not a perfect way of life, but what is! Certainly we have faults. Definitely we can improve and if you look at our nation's history, we have changed. The Chamber of Commerce is working on behalf of the Free Enterprise System to be sure the word "Free" is never replaced.

The Chamber of Commerce is involved in a variety of business, civic and legislative areas in Oakland County as well as the State. We established a Business Ethics Board which enables the consumer and business firms to settle disputes in a meaningful manner. We are convinced that the consumer can best be served when avenues of communication and settlement are open to resolve differences consumers may have with businesses

in our area. This Ethics Board is a demonstration on behalf of Chamber members of their consumer awareness and concern. Certainly, one of our most recognizable civic endeavors would be the Silent Observer program. Funded by business donations, this program pays rewards for confidential "tips" that lead to the solving of certain crimes committed in our area. Many criminals have been apprehended as a result of this program. Our Businessman in the Classroom volunteers speak to local student and educational groups and discuss the role of business and promote the Free Enterprise System. In recent years, the Chamber has been active in Downtown Pontiac Development. The revitalization of Pontiac's central business district is of prime importance and we have worked with government and civic leaders on behalf of this rebirth.

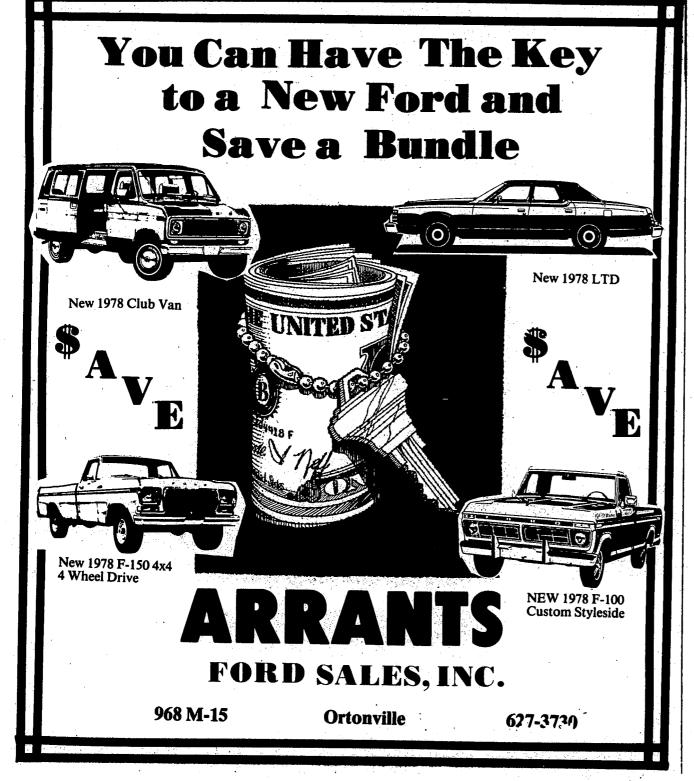
There can be no question how important the Silverdome Stadium is to Oakland County. Many thousands of additional dollars have been spent in our area because of the Silverdome. The North Oakland Chamber of Commerce joined many civic-minded individuals and groups in actively supporting and

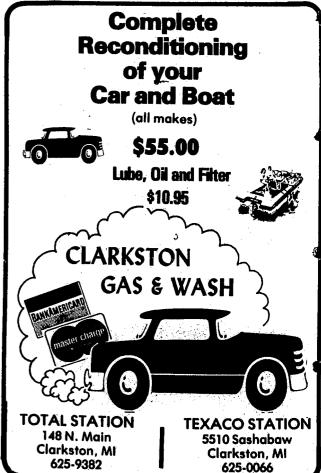
working on behalf of the Stadium.

One of our strongest involvements today is in the area of legislation. Many new laws are being passed daily that affect all of our lives, both personally and business wise. We are no longer in the position of not having to be involved. We must speak out on various legislative matters. We must demonstrate to our governmental leaders that business cares, it is responsible and involved. On a regular basis, Chamber members meet with our local State Legislators. At these meetings we receive legislative updates from Lansing that affects our County and State. Seminars we have held in recent months featured such topics as, Meet Your Legislators luncheon, Unemployment and Workers Compensation debates and the Oakland County Road Commission Transportation Package among others. This year our Legislative Affairs Committee will be working in the areas of Oakland County Government as well as state-wide legislation. Our members are involved. We are concerned. We are being responsible in our approach to legislation and providing Government with our opinions. Business provides the jobs and if business is taxes and/or legislated to an early grave, we all will be harmed.

I have mentioned only a few areas of involvement at the North Oakland Chamber of Commerce. Our office staff and Executive Officer contribute above and beyond the call of duty on behalf of our community. However, our officers and committees are comprised of strictly volunteers; members of the Chamber who recognize the need to get involved and are willing to commit their time, talents, and energy for the benefit of many. None of our programs would be successful if the many volunteers were not willing to participate and were apathetic to the need to become involved.

The North Oakland Chamber of Commerce is a community organization. In the coming months, I'm looking forward to sharing ideas, attitudes and positions on the goings on in Oakland County and Lansing as we view it. We believe Oakland County is "the" place to live and work in Michigan.





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contributing to the school's enrollment.

Presently, the school calendar is identical to that of the Clarkston schools with a pre-Labor Day opening. Teachers, however, found it difficult to get their programs underway with students entering at different times after the fall holiday, from Holly, Brandon and Waterford.

This change also means that Clarkston students attending NOVEC will be in school later in June than other students in the district.

Cutbacks in staff and/or programs may also be in store for NOVEC due to what Superintendent Milford Mason described as a "short-fall of revenue to operate the center.'

There is apparently a \$193,000 "gap" between the half mill in county operating funds, "added cost" funds, and federal money through the state on one side and expenditures on the other side. Recent discovery of "miscalculations" on the part of Oakland Schools has led to the recovery of some \$49,000 and Mason is hopeful more will be found.

President David Leak sharply criticized the Oakland Schools for its "lack of planning and budgeting

The Northwest center is not the only one with financial difficulties. Royal Oak and Pontiac have dropped a total of eight programs, while Walled Lake has not gone ahead with programs it had been encouraged to

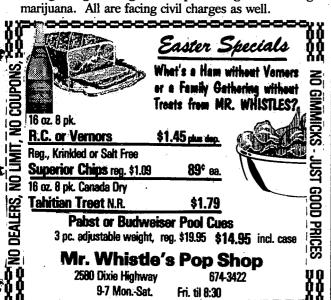
Another student-related decision make made by the board will increase graduation requirements.

A proposal to change high school graduation requirements made at the last meeting of the board was approved at the March 13 meeting.

These requirements, formulated by department heads and administrators at the high school, will increase the total credits from 15 to 16 and add a half year of science.

And, lastly, three students were suspended by the board for the remainder of the school year.

One, a student at Sashabaw Junior High, was apparently involved in a case of arson. The other two, Clarkston High School students, were charged with selling illegal drugs and possessing and using



Historical Society to Meet

The Clarkston Community Historical Society will hold a general membership meeting on Wednesday, March 22 at 7:30 p.m. in the Village Hall on Depot Road.

Highlight of the meeting will be a slide show of village and township architecture with Jeff Jones of Romeo Historical Society. A discussion of the historic district ordinance will follow.

The meeting is open to any interested individuals in addition to members of the CCHS.

Firefighter Tells Why He **Attended Police Academy**

by Mike Wilcox

"I, for one, am sick and tired of my name and this fire department being drug into the paper all the time," said veteran Independence Township firefighter Jack Beach, in an interview last week.

He continued, "We're (the fire department) down here trying to do a decent job, the best job we're capable of doing, and we just don't need to be slammed in the paper.'

Beach was directing his comments towards the township board, particularly Trustee Fred Ritter and Clerk Chris Rose. Ritter and Rose, according to Beach, had attempted to stop the swearing-in of he and Beth Tower, as police reserve officers.

Tower and Beach had been attending a police academy in Macomb County since January 1. After graduation, they eagerly looked forward to a welcome from Independence. Instead, according to Beach, they were met with resistance from Ritter and Rose.

"At that particular time, there was no reason given why he (Rose) would not swear us in. I think it's strictly politics," said Beach.

Rose disagrees. He said it's an unofficial policy that all board members be contacted before a swearing-in. The majority of board members when contacted, asked that the ceremony be delayed because they "didn't know what their jobs would be. We weren't sure whether they would continue with their present duties or be assigned to new duties with possibly higher pay.

Ritter contacted the township attorney, and he concurred in delaying the ceremony.

After much discussion, with other township board members, Rose conducted the swearing-in ceremony.

Beach claims many people misunderstand his motives for attending the police academy. They're connecting him with the police department, a position he indicates little interest in.

"My main purpose here in this department is for arson investigation. My goal (in attending police academy) is strictly to have the power of arrest, to be able to do a better job here, a more thorough job, and a more efficient job.

Dale Bailey, a fireman who attended police academy for fire investigation training last year, added, "The reason we are doing this is because if we call in another agency (to investigate fires), there's a time lapse. People are real busy who work on arsons."

"It could be two days before these people would come out and investigate a fire," he continued.

Bailey and Beach, along with Chief Frank Ronk are the only Independence firefighters qualified to investigate for arson.

According to Bailey and Beach, arson is becoming more of a problem in Independence Township each year. They said the township could expect between 20-30 suspicious fires this year.

They claim it is essential that they carry and know how to use a gun when investigating.

"The people you're dealing with in an arson fire have their backs against the wall...", noted Beach.

Thus, they can't understand why township officials would question Beach's motives for attending police academy.

"Dale and I both have been with this department for 25 years, and "we're gettin' tired of seeing these politicians tearing the hell out of it," said Beach.

He added, "We're trying to cement relations with the County (Sheriff's Department) here, to get things back in harmony, to get it rollin' so it's going to work. They keep this up and it's never going to settle down."

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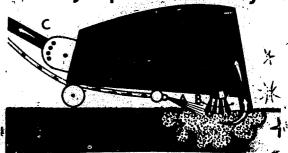


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During the first five years, the child learns a great deal about the physical world. Learning to walk and talk, and cope with such experiences as dark and light, soft and hard, hot and cold, sweet and sour, make every day a "working day" for the small child.

day a "working day" for the small child.

Along with the "physical" education, the child is introduced to an emotional world, too. Parents, however are less apt to know how to measure emotional growth, than they are to keep track of physical growth, and so it is, that unless the child is very difficult to handle, parents assume that everything is as it should be. When a child exhibits symptoms of an emotional problem in school, a few years later, however, the parents are apt to feel guilty, and feel as if they've caused the problem, or at least neglected the child to the extent that they failed to recognize the problem from the beginning.

Emotional "problems" like physical "problems" can be avoided to some extent, of course, but in the case of most parents, child's emotional problems are purely accidental, and should be considered as such. Banged heads and cut fingers and blistered heels are all part of growing up. They are not normally "inflicted" on a child. Neither are misconceptions of reality, which we generally see as "emotional" problems. Good communications between parent and child, and patience and understanding of a child's view of life and the world, can keep emotional bruises to a minimum, however.

A friend once told me of a childhood experience which still caused her guilt feelings as an adult. When she was three, her four-year-old brother died, and the funeral was held in the home. Now the two children, being so close to an age had been competitive, and my friend, having no understanding of death, only knew that her brother was suddenly the center of attention. And so it was that she entered the room, unnoticed by mourners, and climbed up beside the casket. In a sudden silent moment, everyone in the room heard her tell her brother to "get out because it's my turn to get in now!" Her mother's resulting hysterics, and the shock and disapproval of the other adults, convinced her that she was a "bad" girl who'd deliberatly upset everyone. That and similar experiences gave her the perception of herself that later caused a number of "emotional" problems for her until she became a parent herself. Only then did she realize that she had been innocent and that the adults involved had failed in their responsibilities for telling her how to behave under the circumstances.

Children are not born knowing proper emotional responses. Their automatic responses are totally "self" centered. They are safety devices that are geared to self-preservation. The parent must guide them in the proper control of those emotions within the family group, and eventually beyond it. A child should not be told that emotions are "good" or "bad." All of them are normal human experiences. The child should, however, be taught to identify, and deal with them.

Emotions are, after all, simply a matter of energy which is suddenly generated by the body, under certain circumstances. The child does not consciously generate the energy. It is simply there, and it causes discomfort. It is up to the parent to provide positive channels for the expenditure of that energy.

When our second child became the center of attention because of allergic asthma at age three, our eldest daughter showed her resentment by punching the younger one in the arm, usually on the day that the doctor had given her a shot in that same arm. It was a normal reaction for a six-year-old, but not one we could allow to continue, of course. The solution we found was a simple one. The older girl began piano lessons, and was encouranged to "bang" the piano rather than her sister. The result was that she practiced a lot, and received her share of attention when she displayed her musical proficiency.

Now, according to some parents of my generation, that was not the way to handle a "naughty" child. And yet some of those same people play tennis and golf to "reduce stress", which results from the same emotionally generated energy the child experiences.

Anger, frustration, envy, jealously, and unhappiness are bad enough to put up with, without bearing a double "cross" of guilt for experiencing such feelings. We adults need sympathy and understanding when we're

by Joan Allen



experiencing them. Children need even more help in handling their negative emotions, because, they, unlike us have not had the experience to remind them that those feelings often pass quickly. We need to tell them of our own experiences, and tell them that patience is very often all that is needed for negative feelings to shift to positive ones.

The child can learn as much from emotions as from physical stimuli. We do not call heat "bad" or water "bad," but warn that "bad" results can be obtained through misuse. It is the same with emotions. After all, emotions are not something that the child will eventually grow out of. We must deal with them all our lives. Not learning to handle them properly can only result in a lot of trial and error that can have lasting negative effects. Health statistics warn us of the harm that stress can do, and stress comes from bottled up emotions. The energy is turned inward, against the self, when there is no appropriate release.

A relaxed child, with the confidence of self-control, learns more, and is more open to new experience of a positive nature. Bottled up emotions often result in an ongoing sense of frustration. The energy generated by it may be exhibited in misbehavior, angry outbursts, or temper tantrums, that simply give the child a sense of being "bad" when, in fact, there is very good reason for such resentment, but it is misdirected. Even we adults bottle up emotion, and then are amazed at how it suddenly escapes at the wrong time, and is directed at the wrong person, or the wrong circumstances. That accomplishes nothing but more frustration.

The proper expression of the right amount of emotion is a good thing. It aids us in communicating our feelings to others, and it is a way of seeing that necessary changes are made in relationships and good causes. The only lesson to learn is that proper control and use should result in saying what we mean, and meaning what we say. A child's life can be made much simpler if parents are adept at emotional self-control, and teach that skill to their children.

Oakland Family Agency Expands Services

Family and Children Services of Oakland's "Family Focused Alcoholism Program" has expanded services in the western part of the county, with a new office at 9555 Commerce Road, it was announced by Program Director Michael Ostrowski.

The Family Focused Alcoholism Program provides counseling and education to any family member when someone in that family has a problem with alcohol or other drugs. The new program provides service at the same location formerly occupied by Alternative House, until May 1, when the office will merge with the Walled Lake Office of Family and Children Services in a new building.

The agency has been providing family counseling services in Oakland County for over 28 years. It has provided specialized services to families when a member had a problem drinker, for more than four years. The unique program views problems with substance abuse (alcohol and drugs) as a problem for the total family; one in which everyone is involved and one in which all members need help in handling.

Family and Children Services is a private, non-profit agency, supported by the United Way. The substance abuse program is supported in part by the Oakland County Office of Substance Abuse Services. Fees are based on a family's ability to pay and no one is denied services for lack of money. They are open from 9-5 Monday through Friday at 363-8882, evenings by appointment.



Carol Balzarini It was Nearly "Erin Go Blah"

by Carol Balzarini

There are certain occasions that always have been, and always will be, near and dear to the heart of an Irishman. One of them, of course, is the annual observance of St. Patrick's Day.

Now I've been drinking green beer on March 17 since I was eighteen years old. (I'm not really that young, I

Since marrying an Italian, I've found my ethnic heritage drowned in a sea of spaghetti sauce. Even my

was just in another state). Before that, it was green

kids complain about being half-breeds - naturally, I've contributed the unwanted half. Through the years, we have gradually managed to

reach a compromise of sorts. First, they all learned to tolerate my green beer. Next, my husband learned to like green beer himself. Now my kids drink green milk

Dinner last week was my supreme achievement. We h ad green fettucine. (The color is from spinach, not food coloring). A stroke of genius, I thought.

This green pasta has opened up new vistas of culinary delights. Imagine it with red spaghetti sauce for Christmas.

But, I have really digressed from my original thoughts - the traditional celebration of St. Patrick's Day in the local pub with a lot of Irish, near-Irish, and even

In recent years, my husband has consented to taking

me to the Clarkston Cafe for a wee bit of green beer and some lovely Irish ballads.

My plans came to a screeching halt this year when the Iron Mountain basketball team qualified for the high school semi-finals in Ann Arbor on Friday night. Their first trip in 39 years.

Can you imagine any self-respecting Irishman spending St. Patrick's Day with a bunch of U.P. Italians, Finns and Swedes at a basketball game? Instead of Pat and Mike, it was Bimbo and Toivola.

Fortunately, everything turned out well for me. Anyway, the game was awful, we left after the third quarter with the Mountaineers trailing by 40 points. It'll probably take them another 39 years to try again.

Meanwhile, back at the Cafe, my Irish brethren and their friends were still going strong. There was not a dry eye in the place as we sang "Danny Boy." Oh, we are a sentimental lot.

A wee bit of green beer and an Irish ballad or two are just enough of an ethnic celebration to last me for another 364 days and to keep me from totally losing my



Steve Dice Up, Up and Up....so goes Our Taxes

by Steve Dice

Many area residents received discouraging news in the mail a few weeks ago. Property assessments are up and as a result, taxes for many property owners are up

For those who disagree with their new assessment there is an appeals procedure. However, because of the method of property evaluation currently being used on a statewide basis, the chances of successfully lowering one's property taxes are quite slim.

An assessed valuation is (very generally) based upon the average selling price of similar properties in the area with special distinguishing characteristics taken into consideration. Because it is difficult to dispute an established list of selling prices, successful appeals are

The best potential for lowering property taxes lies not in Springfield Township or Oakland County but in Lansing. It is the legislature that set up this overburdensome method of taxation and therefore it is they who must change it.

Some of our elected officials in Lansing are reluctant

to change the current method of property taxation, saying it is the best available. Well, the best apple in a rotten bushel is still a rotten apple.

How do the politicians in Lansing justify requiring retirees living on a fixed income to continually pay higher and higher taxes on a house that is in many cases actually depreciating in value? Wake up, guys you're forcing people out of homes they spent a lifetime paying for and then you turn around and try to buy back the old folks' vote by paying their heating bills.

Maybe part of the problem is that at the state capital, a house is not a house - it is an investment. According to the Lansing theory, people buy property to make money. Property is therefore taxed accordingly on the potential price it would bring if sold.

There are a whole bunch of taxpayers out here in the real world who buy a house to live in. Even if property is purchased for investment, how do you justify taxing potential profit, a practice that is difficult (if not impossible) to find in any other type of investment situation? (When a house or property is sold, it is even

The list of inequities goes on and on - how the current method of taxation contributors to inflation by taxing the inflated potential value of property - how cities, by underassessing, can be subsidized by outlying county areas through county-wide equalization - how less than 5% of property tax monies are returned directly to the local governing body. But some space must be devoted to a few positive suggestions for improving the situation:

 $\cdot \bar{1}$. Give retirees over sixty a property deduction, maybe \$40,000.00. Tax this group only on the actual property value above \$40,000.00.

2. Base all assessments on the actual most recent

identity

Is owning one really renting one from the government? selling price for the particular home in question, not on the selling price of a similar house three miles away.

3. Property is currently taxed on 49-50% of its assessed value (which happens to be the maximum allowable by law). The legislature has in its power the authority to lower this percentage. Let's lower it 2% a year for the next ten years.

4. Decrease the percentage given to schools (currently 73% of the property tax in Springfield Township goes to schools) and transfer the cost of schooling more proportionately to those who have children in school.

If you are disgusted with high taxes that keep getting higher, the most effective way to get taxes lowered is by writing the governor and elected officials in Lansing (a post card will do) then write them again, and again, and again, and again...

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

Three things I wish to say -

1. We appreciate the nice ad you put in this paper about our special revival meetings with Bill Piper at the Davisburg Baptist Church.

2. Public acknowledgements to Gerry Lacey for giving us tickets to the Shrine Circus. We sure appreciate his thoughtfulness and effort for our enjoyment.

3. A reply to the column by Steve Dice about the liquor license at the Springfield Oaks Golf Course: Needless to say, I was deeply dissapointed that Mr. Dice cast his vote for the approval of the license transfer. Mr. Dice suggested three areas of major concern. I would like to suggest a couple of other ones.

1.) What possible benefit will the license transfer be for the residents of Springfield Township? Mr. Dice stated that "alcoholism is a deadly sickness," and yet at the same time he advocates another liquor outlet within the very community that he lives, and has his business and raises his family. If liquor was hard to come by in the township, he might have an argument but it isn't. Let's face it, there is money in the liquor business, at least that is what the worldly wise want us to believe. Mr. Dice states that order will be maintained at the clubhouse. May I ask who by? And who is going to pay those who maintain it? The township board, it seems, must be committed to the over-all welfare of the citizens of this township and not be intimidated by the County Parks Commission or by people outside of this township.

2.) Where are men in our society and community with moral convictions? If "Alcoholism is a deadly sickness," then why in the name of common sense

would we ever go on record as supporting it in any way whatsoever? As soon as something is discovered that tends to produce the "deadly sickness" of cancer, we take it off the market immediately, we certainly don't advocate that people use it in moderation. I have yet to hear anyone even hint that drunkeness is sin and wrong. It seems that we are morally bankrupt in our community - is there nothing wrong anymore or does society in general dictate what is right and wrong? If that is so, God help us.

Sincerly, Robert R. Hazen, Davisburg

A special invitation is being issued to the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sternberg to attend a surprise 60th wedding anniversary "dessert" open house in their honor. The affair is being co-hosted by their daughters, Mrs. Evelyn (Bob) Johnson and Mrs. Mary Louise (Burton) Goodwin. It will be held on Sunday afternoon, April 2 from 3:00 until 6:00 at the Waterford CAI Building on Williams Lake Road.

Whether you plan on attending or not, the daughters are asking that you send your cards of congratulations in the form of a card shower, to reach the honored couple by the date of their anniversary, which is March 29 (Easter Sunday this year). Don't mention the celebration, as it is to be a surprise.

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Listening and just "being there" show that you care. Your presence is indication of your desire to be sympathetic and comforting. Above all, don't try to jolt a grieving widow out of her grief. Time will do it for her gradually. She must first accept the loss, then begin to live with it and pass through several emotional stages before the natural healing effects of time take hold.

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AD-VENTURES: A Weekly Feature About Our Advertisers

There is no longer any need for Davisburg area residents to burn up three dollars worth of gas to pick up

a birthday card. "Mad Ethel's" is here!
Proprieter Ethel Howarth, who claims the dubious title of "Mad Ethel" opened shop shortly after Thanksgiving. Since then, business has been, in Ethel's own words, "Horrible."

Ethel spends time sewing and crocheting (tooth fairy pillows, alphabet pillows, spoon dolls, bread dough dolls, hats, scarves and more) and offers the fruits of her labors for sale. Daughter-in-law Vicci contributes wall hangings, Weavings and framed mirrors, also for sale.

Local talent is displayed in the form of macrame plaques, corn cob dolls etc. These items Mad Ethel stocks on consignment.

Shoppers can find last minute gift items from various parts of the country. Gift wrap, bows and cards are available to wrap those last minute gifts, too.

To complete the merchandise display is a collection of "Bee Creek Originals." These works of art were created by Sarah Sinclair, Ethel's cousin.

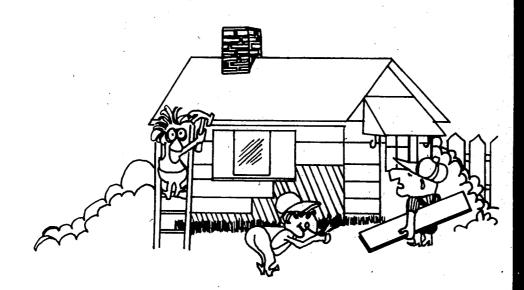
A possible addition to "Mad Ethel's" is a tea room offering coffee, tea and sandwiches. This addition is still in the planning stages.

Art Show in Holly

The Holly Fine Arts Council will present an art show, "High Hopes" April 7, 8, and 9. Entries will be accepted April 6 at the Holly Community Education Center, 111 College Street, Holly, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Oil, Acrylics, Drawing, Pastels, Collages, Watercolors, Mixed Media, Wood Carving, and Pottery will be accepted.

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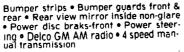
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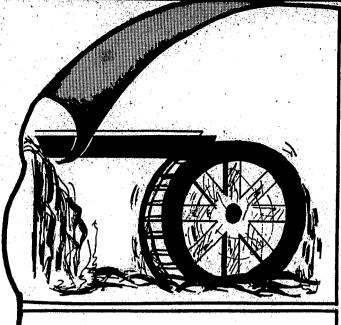
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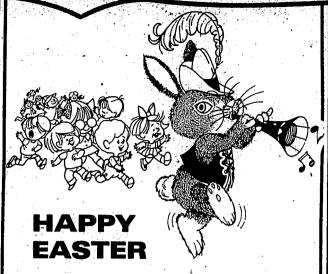


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Managers Meeting April 3

For those interested in managing Junior Baseball and Girls' Softball, there will be an organizational meeting Monday, April 3 at 7:00 p.m. at the Independence Township Hall. League structure, manager manuals, etc. will be available and discussed. For further information call the Independence Parks and Recreation Department at 625-8223.

Mother-Daughter Banquets

To celebrate Camp Fire Birthday Month, Clarkston's Camp Fire Girls had mother-daughter banquets, with the theme of "The Wonderful World of Camp Fire."

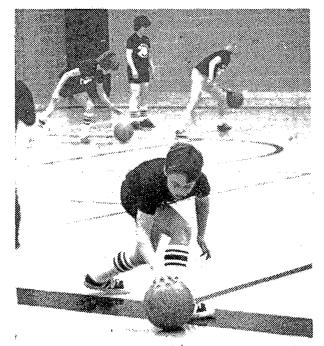
Bailey Lake Elementary girls had their potluck dinner on March 13 at the Knights of Columbus Hall.

Clarkston Elementary, Pine Knob, and Sashabaw also met on March 13 at the United Methodist Church, and Andersonville celebrated on March 14, at the Davisburg Township Hall.

The girls worked hard, planned decorations, entertainment and each girl donated money she earned for Independence Center.

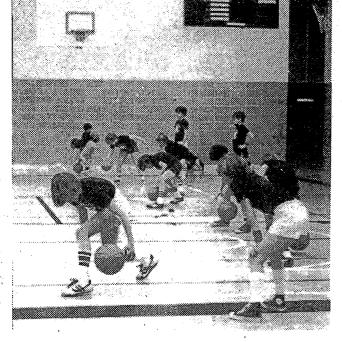
Clarkston Camp Fire fathers were not left out, either. On February 17, they all had a wonderful time joining their daughters for the annual Father-Daughter Square











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Half of Oakland County's Tornado Alert Program Now Operational

More than half of the new Tornado Alert Program has become operational, said Oakland County Executive Daniel T. Murphy.

Before March 15, 70 sirens were situated in various places in the county and were turned on individually. The old method was replaced by a system of sirens which are interconnected and can all be turned on simultaneously by the National Weather Service.

Murphy said 47 new sirens became operational on March 15. By April 1, 15 of the 70 existing sirens will be brought into the central activation system. By April 7, an additional 28 newly purchased sirens will be brought

The total on central activation by early April, then, will be 90. Seven are in Independence Township.

Murphy pointed out that the January blizzard delayed implementation of the program because Detroit Edison crews were drawn away from work on electrical hook-up for the sirens to repair storm damage. Also, some suppliers were unable to ship various equipment on time, for a variety of reasons,

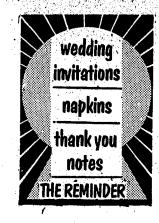
At a meeting of local units of government Thursday, Gary Canfield, director of Civil Defense and Emergency Medical Services, distributed the Standard Operating Procedures to be followed in the event of a tornado warning.

The Standard Operating Procedures state that a confirmed tornado warning can be acted on only if it comes from one of the following sources: The National Weather Service; the Michigan State Police; Oakland County Sheriff's Department; or, specially trained spotters, who go to pre-designated locations during storms to watch for the development of funnel clouds.

In addition, telephone calls from citizens can be acted on under certain conditions.

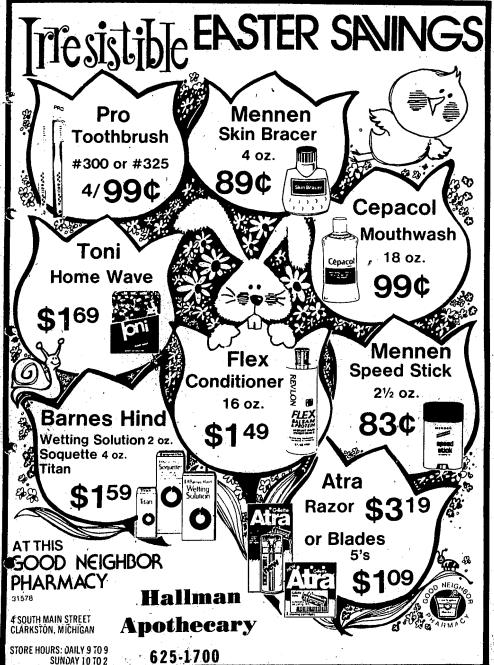
In the event of a confirmed tornado sighting, the National Weather Service will immediately activate all sirens for three minutes. At the same time, the Weather Service will notify radio and television stations. After the sirens sound, citizens will receive all additional information from radio and television.

To avoid confusion, Canfield said, the sirens will only be sounded once, at the beginning of the emergency. There will be no all-clear sounded on the sirens; that caformation will come from radio and television.



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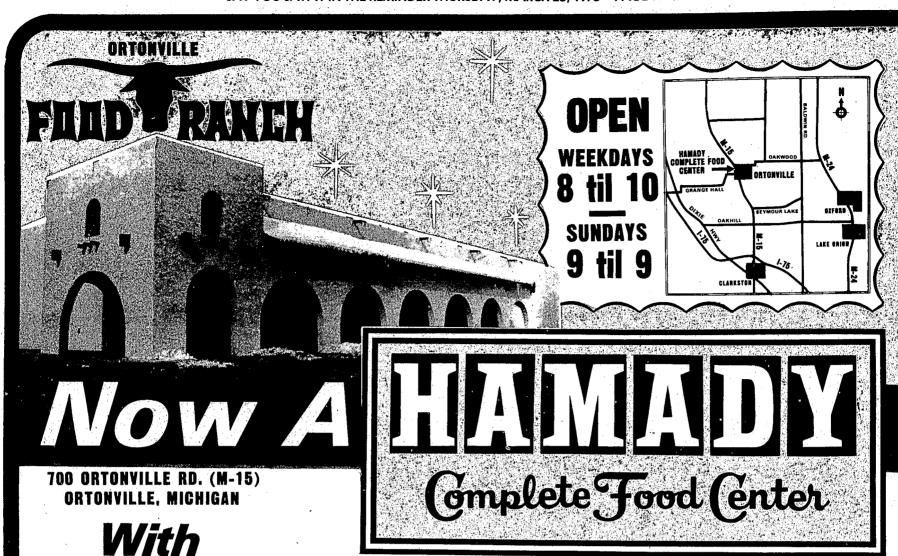
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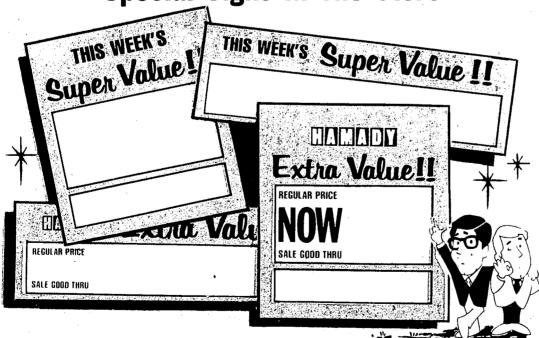
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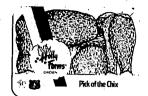
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Given the job of making airline reservations for a group of people, including herself, a young secretary we know researched the responsibility thoroughly.

When she discovered that any ten of them agreeing to go on the same flight could get "excursion" rates, she decided to cut costs herself by selling the idea to some

She found nine other people willing to accompany her on the "excursion," made the reservations, and bought the tickets, provding the airlines with the travelers'

Then the problems began.

Some of her fellow travelers discovered that they couldn't go at the appointed time. She scurried around and found substitutes (but didn't bother to change the reservation names), and the trip was on again.

The day of departure arrived, and our heroine set off to pick up some of her fellow travelers for the trip to the airport. It was a Sunday morning, and the day was clear and bright. That is, it was clear and bright until she closed the car trunk after depositing her first passengers luggage in the trunk - along with the only set of keys for the car.

Locksmiths, it seems, are almost impossible to locate on Sunday, and the car was still unlocked when its driver realized she couldn't make the planned flight. Her friend was dispatched to pick up the other members of the group and hurry them on their way, but the sudden realization that there were no longer ten in the group, brought a new emergency situation. They would all owe more money to the airlines.

Since the reservations were not all in the names of the people who were actually using them, she hoped to forestall the confusion that was apt to result when the airlines received checks signed by other people than those the reservations were for. So, she called the airlines, explained the situation, and asked them to put the difference in the ticket prices on her Visa card. That's when she learned that they wouldn't accept Visa on Sunday, because they couldn't call and check her credit.

About that same time, a locksmith that she'd tried to reach returned her call, and agreed to help her. He arrived with his tools, and it wasn't long before she was finally on her way to the airport herself. It was when



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she'd calmed down, that she noticed the extra luggage on the floor of the front seat - the locksmith's tools! Since he had helped her on a Sunday, she felt she couldn't leave on a four-day trip with the man's tools locked in her car. On the other hand, she had to get to the airport.

Quick thinker that she is, she pulled her car into the parking lot of a local police station and ran the tools in there. She quickly explained her problem, and asked that they get the tools to the locksmith. She hoped the man in uniform was joking when he told her he had to hold her, because the tools looked like a set of burglary tools - and she ran back to her car, and was off again.

It was Just One of those Awful Days, but it had a happy ending. When she arrived at the airport, her humiliation at being greeted by a half-dozen people with, "Oh, you're the one," was lessened when she learned that the airlines people had sent the rest of the party on at the excursion rate, and had given her reservation to someone else, so that she could fly excursion on the next flight. Needless to say, she breathed a sigh of relief when she finally arrived at her destination.

Cross-country REACT

A cross-country REACT has been started in the Independence and Brandon areas.

the local REACT teams are dedicated to monitor Citizen's Radio Channel 9, the official motorist assistance and emergency channel.

It is the goal of cross-country REACT to expand so 24 hour service will be available to those in need of emergency assistance.

Clinton Valley Barracks

Members of Clinton Valley #2803 Barracks and Auxiliary of Veterans of World War I, who met Saturday, March 11, at the Springfield Township Hall, Davisburg, for a "carry-in" pot luck dinner and business meeting, heard Hilda Bour, wife of the Commander of the Barracks, read the Americanis Bulletin from our National Americanism Chairman, Ada Gamsjager of Newkirk, Oklahoma. She stated that there are many ways to show patriotism and listed at least a dozen.

One was a letter to a Pontiac daily newspaper by Don Campbell, President of The Holly George Washington Club wherein he scolded Highland Appliance for using a caricature of George Washington with a noisemaker sticking out of his mouth and a silly-looking dunce's cap with a tassel on his head to promote business as being very unpatriotic.

Four birthdays were celebrated. Get well cards were sent to ill members. Helen Crist, wife of member Charles Crist was initiated into the Auxiliary.

Many members attended the birthday dinner of the American Legion, Campbell Richmond Post #63, Clarkston on Sunday, March 6.

The Fifth District Meeting will be at the Sveden House, Pontiac on March 22 with Paint Creek Barracks, Rochester as host. Dinner will be at 12:00. Regular Barracks and Auxiliary meeting of Clinton Valley #2803 will be April 8.





Q. My husband and I purchased property at 8880 Tahoe, Clarkston. We hired Geoffrey Bowman to build our home. We gave him \$10 grand and Standard Federal in Troy gave him \$18,000 of our mortgage money. The withdrawal slip (which we never got a copy of) showed that the complete rough electrical was in and also the heating ducts. They were never in. Geof Bowman has skipped town. Leins have been put against our home, as Geof didn't pay for the work done. Our windows and tub have been removed by their companies. The bank won't give us any of the mortgage money left to finish, and we are broke. There are several of us in the same situation and I'm positive of one couple, and he is out of a job. How can the little guy fight something like this?

Barbara and Richard Koseak, Mt. Clemens

A. This has been one of the most difficult assignments ever tackled by the Problem Solver. We started nearly six weeks ago to bring justice to the Koseaks. Since that time the Bowman scandal has been brought to light by every newspaper and television station in the Detroit area. However, it was the Problem Solver that gave the Koseaks their initial direction. The Problem Solver took their case to the Business Ethics Board of the North Oakland Chamber of Commerce. In turn, that board studied the situation and recommended Koseak seek legal action through the Legal Aid Society. The Business Ethics Board sat down with the Legal Aid Society to familiarize them with Bowman's escapades. In turn, the Problem Solver wrote letters in an attempt to reach Bowman, who supposedly was in Northern Michigan. As a result of this and the efforts of many other people and organizations, Bowman will be prosecuted in Oakland County soon.

Q. I wonder if there's anyway I could find out about a death a year or so ago in the Reminder? I think it was in the Reminder, but suppose it could have been in The Oakland Press - I really don't know. A friend, a fellow graduate of 1932 called me from Las Cruces, New Mexico last night. He asked me if I knew who the survivors were, that he had some pictures he thought they'd like. Now the death notice we are asking about is Henry Ruff -

Sincerely, Mrs. Walter Gruenewald

A. We were able to get the information you want from the Oakland County Clerk's Office, Vital Statistic Department. Due to the nature of your request, however, we felt it was best to contact the party you wished to reach, and give them the information you gave us. We then gave them your name and address, so they could contact you, and through you, obtain the pictures you mentioned. They said that they were very appreciative of your efforts to reach them, and that they would be in touch with you.

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A traffic signal will be installed at the intersection of Walton Boulevard and Floradale, to operate stop and go from 6 a.m. to midnight and as a flasher at other times, announced William M. Richards, Vice Chairman of the Board of Oakland County Road Commissioners.

"Increasing traffic volumes and eight reported accidents at the intersection during 1977 indicated a need for a traffic signal. Our studies indicate that Floradale is being used as a bypass by traffic on Dixie Highway bound for Williams Lake Road, because left turns are prohibited at the intersection of Dixie Highway at Walton Boulevard-Williams Lake Road," he said.

Everything You Always Wanted to Know About Annual Meetings

QUESTION: What is the date and time for holding the 1978 Annual Meeting?

ANSWER: Saturday, April 1, between the hours of 1 p.m. and 8 p.m. (Note: The Annual Meeting may be recessed from time to time until it has completed its work. If the meeting is recessed more than 36 hours, there must be a public notice 18 hours in advance of the next meeting. Some Annual Meetings have been known to last through the month of June).

QUESTION: Who is the moderator for the Annual Meeting?

ANSWER: The supervisor. (Note: If the supervisor is not available, then the clerk acts as moderator until one is chosen by the electors in attendance).

QUESTION: Who may attend and vote at the township Annual Meeting?

ANSWER: Any qualified elector who is a resident of the township.

QUESTION: Does a resident, qualifying as an elector, have to be a property-owning taxpayer to cast a vote at the Annual Meeting?

ANSWER: No.

QUESTION: May any person speak or address the Annual Meeting?

ANSWER: Yes, provided he or she obtains permission from the moderator.

QUESTION: May electors at the Annual Meeting be ejected for disorderly conduct?

ANSWER: Yes. The moderator may order a constable, police officer or other person to take the

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disorderly person into custody until the meeting is adjourned.

QUESTION: What is the penalty for being a disorderly person at the Annual Meeting?

ANSWER: Any person who shall refuse to withdraw from such meeting on being ordered by the moderator to do so shall for each such offense forfeit a sum of money not exceeding \$20.

QUESTION: What are some of the items which can be acted upon by the electors and the township officials at the Annual Meeting?

ANSWER: 1. Establish salaries (providing there isn't a salary compensation commission); 2. Hold a public hearing on the proposed budget; 3. Adopt By-Laws; and 4. Give authority to Board to buy and sell, etc. real and personal property.

QUESTION: Is it proper to get approval for purchase or sale of township real estate at the Annual Meeting?

ANSWER: Yes. However, if this is not accomplished at the Annual Meeting, it may be done at any subsequent special meeting of the township, brought about by petition signed by not less than 12 freeholders of the township who are qualified electors.

QUESTION: May the electors at the Annual Meeting force the township board to purchase property or fire certain employees?

ANSWER: By Opinion No. 3619, dated February 5, 1962, the Michigan Attorney General ruled, in part, as follows: "Electors at the annual township meeting are not authorized by a specific act of the state legislature to mandate the township board to purchase property for township use or to fire certain township employees."

QUESTION: Is it proper for the electors at the Annual Meeting to adjust salaries for township officials?

ANSWER: Yes. As a matter of fact, the electors may proceed to increase them on their own initiative.

QUESTION: If the township clerk is not present at the Annual Meeting, does the moderator have the power to appoint another person to act as secretary of the meeting?

ANSWER: The moderator is with complete authority and power to do this without prior approval of the electors at the Annual Meeting.

QUESTION: Who performs the functions of the electors in a township which has abolished the Annual Meeting?

ANSWER: The township board.



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Pots and Leaching

oy Bonnie Hale

It usually starts with a .39 plant from the dime store or a rooted cutting received from a friend. After a few short months, you encounter your first major problem by finding your plant has outgrown its quarters. You go to your nearest garden center and ponder over the huge selection facing you. Clay, plastic, and ceramic pots of all sizes and colors stare back at you.

Size of the pot is the first thing to consider. When transplanting, you should not go any bigger than one or two inches bigger than the previous pot the plant was in. After a plant is transplanted, it will not begin to make new growth until the roots have had time to become re-established. The bigger the pot, the more time

needed for adjustment.

As for the type of pot, it is mostly a matter of personal choice, with each type having its own advantages. If you are relatively new to the art of growing houseplants, stick to clay pots as they allow free passage of both water and air and its pretty hard to drown a plant in a clay pot (the most commonly made mistake). If, on the other hand, you have a lot of plants, clay pots can make watering quite a chore, as they will need to be watered more often. Because of their weight, they aren't as easily tipped as plastic pots. The only thing I don't like about clay pots is they are very prone to a crusty

Plastic pots are ideal for macrame hangers because of their light weight. They come in decorator colors and the plants they contain don't need to be watered or

fertilized as often.

Ceramic pots are nice but quite expensive and most have no drainage holes. Take a drill and drill an "X" pattern in the bottom for drainage. Save your broken clay pots and put several pieces in the bottom to aid in

After usage, all pots should be washed in hot, soapy water that has a small amount of bleach added to prevent the spread of disease. It makes no sense to use 9 pot that had a plant that died for another plant and subject it to disease and bacteria.

Now that spring is approaching, its time to start inspecting your plants for the following signs that indicate transplanting: new leaves are smaller than average, wilting between normal waterings, roots on the surface of the soil or growing out of the drainage holes.

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There is a simple process known as leaching. Take your plant to the sink and for every inch in diameter that the pot is use two cups of water (a four-inch pot, 8 cups) and pour the water in a couple of cups at a time and let it drain off. Do this until you use the specified amount of water. As the water drains off it will pull the excess minerals with it. For large plants put them in the bath tub and literally flood the soil. This process will not drowned the plant as you aren't going to be doing it that often. In the spring, any plant that is not transplanted should have the leaching process.

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I simply have to talk to someone, and I notice a lot of people depend on you when they can't confide in someone else, so I hope you won't mind another friend.

I have been in a slump for several weeks now, and I can't seem to bring myself out of it. I'm retired, and I live alone. I have my own home, and usually think I am lucky to have it, but the ice and snow have kept me in it like a prisoner. I went so far as to call a real estate office about selling it, with the thought that if I lived in an apartment, I would at least hear someone coming in and out. I tried to watch television, but there doesn't seem to be much to hold my interest, and I can't get interested in reading. The real estate people are coming over, and at least I'll see somebody, but now I'm nervous, and don't know whether I want to sell or not, and think maybe I shouldn't open the door. Do you think my mind is beginning to make me queer?

Dear Lonely,

I doubt that you are becoming "queer." Your letter went straight to the point, and know what the problem is. You have been sitting around the house alone for too long. We all become restless when we are "cooped up," and a lot of people have been prisoners of their homes

this winter. I don't think you should decide to sell your house under the circumstances, but wait until you can get out and around again before you make the decision. You may change your mind once you can get out again. Before next winter, though, you may want to consider renting a room to someone with good references. A college student, or single working person might be delighted to have a home, and would break up the monotony of next winter for you. Joining a church and a Senior Citizen's group are other ways of finding friends who do arrange to get out and would give you opportunities for making friends to keep you company when you are lonely. Sometimes just a telephone call can make the day for you, so perhaps a call from you would make the day for someone else. Why don't you give it a try? Mandy

Dear Mandy.

I have a bird-feeder outside my picture window in the kitchen. I buy bird seed for it, and really draw a lot of birds. It's fascinating to identify the birds, and I spend most of my spare time watching them. It is expensive though, because there are so many birds that come to

My question may sound miserly, and I don't intend it to be, but I'm aware that I am not the only one watching "my" birds. Some new neighbors moved in next door, and one of their windows looks into my house. My former neighbor kept the window covered, but these folks leave it uncovered. I have seen them different times, watching my bird feeder through binoculars. Since they enjoy it, too, would it be okay to go over, introduce myself, and ask them to go 50-50 on the birdseed?

Dear Bird Lover.

By all means go over and introduce yourself! I think you might be a little forward to ask them right out to pay for half of the bird seed, but you might bring up the subject of the bird house, and how expensive even the birds' groceries are. If they don't offer to buy some seed, you might try to talk them into a bird house of their own and that would accomplish the same purpose. Good luck to you.

Clarkston Educational Goals to be Reviewed by Committee

For the past several months, a steering committee of both board members and administrators has spent considerable time formulating educational goals for the school system which have now been accepted by the board as a whole.

These goals will now be reviewed by a committee of citizens and staff members for additional input. Their recommendations plus those of the school board will constitute the goal statements of the school district.

In what is most simply described as a "management system" by Superintendent Milford Mason, the goals become objectives which are implemented as programs as funds permit and ultimately evaluated for effectiveness.

Mason sees this as action rather than reaction to educational trends. A project of this sort has not been undertaken by the Clarkston school system before,

although it has in other districts.

As an extension of its work on goals and objectives, the board also approved the hiring of a director of planning and evaluation for the district at an annual salary of \$25.000.

With or without a Title IV grant which the board authorized Mason to apply for, the position will be funded for a period of three years subject to reevaulation at that time. Plans are to fill that position by July 1.

The job summary, prepared for the grant application, ? stipulates that the project director will "work with the Superintendent, the Board of Education, school personnel and the public in the implementation of a management model for the Clarkston School District."

Mason emphasized that it was not a supervisory position but a "highly technical, research-oriented position." The person hired will develop a needs assessment program for the district.

Under the terms of the grant, this director must also be free to circulate among other school districts and to help set up other programs once the Clarkston model is established.

Something For Everyone

In keeping with the Reminder's unofficial policy of providing something for everyone, we would like our readers to know that on March 16, Finns everywhere celebrate St. Urho's day.

St. Urho is credited with driving the grasshoppers out of Finland and has been immortalized in the following poem:

A long time ago, So the legends say, Saint Urho drove The grasshoppers away.

Bravest Finn That the world has seen; Remembered with purple And Nile green.

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Ms. Rood, a former Detroit resident, currently lives it Davisburg. Her husband, Stephen Rood, is district sales manager for Encyclopaedia Britannica. They have a daughter, Sarah, 3.

The Pampered Lady is Ms. Rood's first business

Softball Organizational Meeting

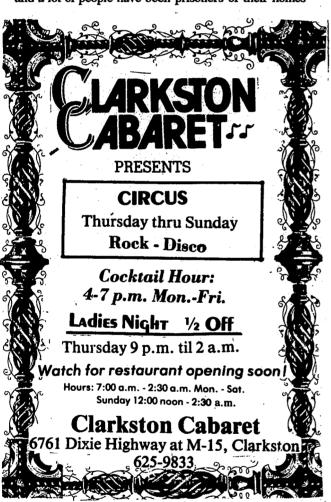
Independence Township will be holding organizational meeting Wednesday, March 22, 8:00 p.m. at the Independence Township Hall for all teams interested in playing Men's Softball this summer. No more than two representatives from each team need to be present. For further information, call Mike Engan at 625-8223.

Scouts Receive Awards

On March 15, Pack 126 of Clarkston held their monthly pack meeting at the Clarkston United Methodist Church. Receiving Wolf awards were: Peter Hollis, Alex Yarber and Matt Batzloff. Bear awards were awarded to: Mike Morrissey, Kevin Gates. Kelley Cook received his Bobcat. Mike Walters and David Johnsto received one-year service pins. Arrow points were given to John Nazi and Craig Hoisington.

The Pack will hold its annual Spring Fertilizer-Triple X Products Sale.

Order deadline is April 12. Delivery will be made to homes on Saturday, April 22. For more information, call Lynda Sorgatz at 625-0759.





Easter Church Services

St. Trinity Lutheran Church of Clarkston will hold Holy Thursday, Communion at 7:30 p.m. and Good Friday Worship at 1:00 p.m. On Easter Sunday, a Holy Communion Service will take place at 8:30 a.m. Sunday School will start at 9:45 a.m., and at 11:00 a.m. there will be a Festival Worship Service.

The church is located at 7925 Sashabaw Road, 1/4 mile north of Pine Knob.

The Calvary Lutheran Church, located at 6805 Bluegrass Drive in Clarkston will have Maundy Thursday Communion, March 23 at 7:30 p.m. On March 24, Good Friday Tenebrae (Service of Darkness) will take place, also at 7:30 p.m.

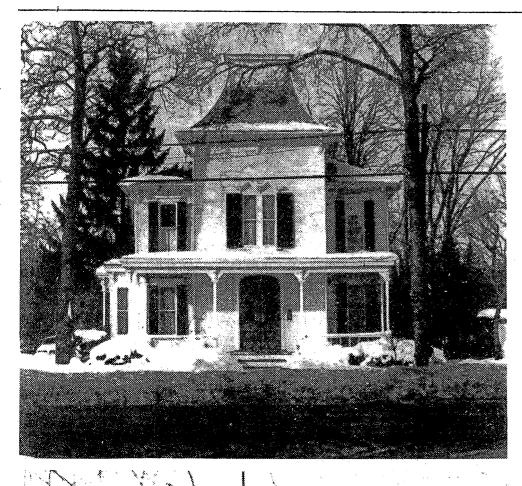
On Easter Sunday, there will be an early service with Communion at 7:00 a.m., an Easter Breakfast hosted by Calvary Youth at 8:00 a.m., Contemporary Service with Youth and Crusader Choirs at 9:15 a.m., and a Festival Service with Senior Choir and Brass at 10:45 a.m.

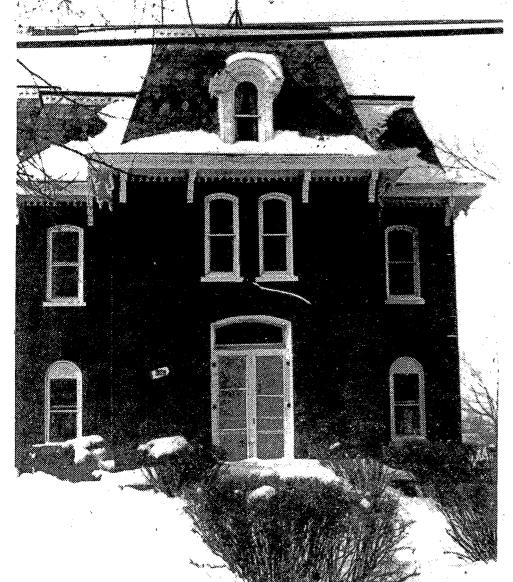
Pastor of the church is Robert D. Walters.

Church of the Resurrection, Episcopal will feature, on Easter Sunday, Choral Eucharist, and full choirs at the 7:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. services. All services will be from a 1928 prayer book.

The church is located at 6490 Clarkston Road, Reverend Alexander Stewart officiating.

Community Good Friday services will be held at the Sashabaw United Presbyterian Church at 5300 Maybee Road from 1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m.





This Springfield Township farmhouse is another example of a variety of elements used in combination. A brick home, the treatment over the front door is a heavier one than is usually seen in wooden construction of the same period. The mansard roof has wide eaves supported by delicate sawn brackets [Italian Villa] and is trimmed with dentil molding [Greek Revival] at the top. The round arch dormer windows are capped with heavy round arch hood moldings. The sawn wood decoration applied to the brick below the eaves is comparatively delicate. The wooden casings of the windows increase the tall slender appearance. The glass in the second story windows is slightly curved at the top while on the first story only the wood casing forms a round arch.

Preserving Our Past

by Carol Balzarini and Sue Basinger

During the 19th century, American architecture was dominated by a succession of foreign influences including Greek, Gothic and Italian. As the population of this country increased, so did the desire for and the availability of a variety of architectural styles which became more and more exotic.

The growing population and post-Civil War prosperity contributed to the extensive use of increasingly elaborate detail, especially true in large cities where the wealthy demanded visible representation of their economic status. Stylistic mutations, referred to as "eclecticism," became the order of the day.

One imported innovation often mixed with elements of other styles was the mansard roof, first used in 17th century France. In this country it became a main feature of the Empire style, one example of eclecticism.

Originally developed to add living space in the attic, the mansard roof increased the imposing effect of height. Often punctuated with dormers, these roofs were covered with slate, wooden shingles, or copper. As it developed in American architecture, the mansard roof took on a variety of profiles.

This lovely home on Main Street in Clarkston is a good example of eclecticism. The body of the house is a cube form with a low hipped roof and wide eaves supported by ornamental brackets, Italian Villa characteristics. The porch and bays at the side of the house, using the same roof treatment, provide an assymetrical quality to the plan. The windows are tall and slender and paired in front of the tower. The wide veranda and tower-type entrance are also typical of the Italian style. The tower is crowned with a curved mansard roof while the hood moldings over the tower windows [pointed arches with applied sawn decoration beneath] more nearly relate of Carpenter Gothic. The front doors have carved wooden ornamenation.

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WHAT'S **HAPPENING**

John Laffrey's Old Mill Restaurant on Dixie Highway in Waterford is one of the finest dining spots in Oakland County. Appearing presently at the Old Mill is one of the finest entertainers in the Detroit area, Bob Posch.

This combination makes for a great evening out. We had reservations for dinner at 8:00 p.m. (Reservations are a must on weekends). The service and food were very good. Our waitress allowed enough time between courses so that we didn't feel rushed. I would recommend making reservations for 7:30 or before so that you will be finished eating when Posch comes on at 9:00 p.m. It's difficult to eat and laugh at the same time.

Bob Posch is a very talented and funny performer. He



L-R: John Cionca - banjo, Al Arsenalt - fiddle, Bob Posch - guitar, appearing at the Old Mill.

has an infectious smile that reminds me of Alan Alda of M.A.S.H. Bob fires off joke after joke with country songs interspersed throughout. Don't get me wrong, this guy is not a male Minnie Pearl. He sings easy listening music and his humor is definitely not corn-pone.

Accompanying Posch is banjo and bass player John Cionca. John is a mathematics teacher at Henry Ford Community College. He plays part time with Posch. Gary McMullen alternates playing back-up with Cionca.

Bob and John play one of the best renditions of "Dueling Banjos" I've heard. One difference is the addition of electric fiddle played by 70-year-old Al Arsenalt.

Al is a 5-foot gamin of a fellow who is more agile than most 20-year-olds. Posch incorporates Al into much of his material; for instance, "We bring Al up early in the show so we can get him back to the home.'

Al takes the ribbing in stride and delights in stealing the show with his frantic fiddling and body contortions. Al must be seen to be believed.

Bob Posch and company will be entertaing at the Old Mill at least through Spring. For a relaxed evening of good-natured fun and music, I encourage you to see Posch at the Old Mill Wednesday through Saturday.

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An Interview with Bob Posch



Marilyn interviewing Bob Posch

by Marilyn Bridgeman

Bob Posch talked with this reporter between his shows at the Old Mill. The reason for his success as an entertainer became obvious as I interviewed him. He is O a sincere, likeable guy who is doing what he loves making people happy.

Q. Where are you from?

A. "I'm a farm boy from Minnesota. I left home at 17 because I didn't want to be in farming all my life."

Q. How long have you been in the entertainment business?

A. "I'm 37 and have been in the business 19 years." ") Q. How did you get started?

A. "I was in the Naval Air Force, stationed in Hawaii. Some friends and I played guitar and sang like the Kingston Trio. We performed in a bar in Hawaii and the audiences loved us.'

O. Did you use comedy in your act then:

A. "Are you kidding; I was scared to death!" O. How did you end up in the Detroit area?

A. "After the Air Force, I went to California and New York. When I came to Detroit, I had no thought of entertaining. I went to work for G.M."

Q. What was the first place in Detroit you played at? A. "In 1962, the Pink Poodle Lounge for \$15.00 a night. It was a red-neck bar and the audience kept requesting "Detroit City." I knew most of the song, but



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nof the talking part, so I made it up and just kept adding material until the song was about 10 minutes long. It's () still my most requested number." Reporter's Note: Posch impersonates a homosexual hitch-hiking to Detroit in high heels and the experiences he has enroute in this song).

Q. Do you change your material depending on where you perform?

A. "No, I keep the same basic jokes. I ad-lib a lot. But there are basic stock moves that are always good. Like Jack Benny used to say - the best jokes are old jokes. One of my pet peeves though, is I don't have enough time to learn new material. My day is too long.'

O. What else are you involved in?

A. "I'm president of a trucking company and part owner of the Elephant Disco. I'm also just starting a new company which produces portable generators for home use." (Posch invented this type of generator **a** during his spare time).

Q. What other entertainment areas are you involved

A. "I'm afraid of T.V. I did a touring show for Buick one year. I really enjoyed that. It was a challenge to entertain 100 car executives after a day of drinking and golfing. You had to be good."

Q. You're so clean cut. Have you always had that

A. "I've never had a moustache or beard. I let my hair grow longer once, but it bugged me."

Q. What type of audience would you say you most appeal to?

A. "All ages. I've got to honestly say I have a ton of young people come to see me."

Q. Don't you get tired repeating the same material? A. "Occasionally, but I love to make people laugh. I'd sit here and tell you jokes all night just to hear you laugh."

Q. How do you feel if audiences seem disinterested? A. "Some nights I'm tired, so maybe I'm off. During dinner, people want to eat so I'm laid back. The crowds at the Old Mill have been great."

O. Why do you do so much ethnic humor?

CA. "I was raised on a farm and never saw a black man until I was 15. I didn't know what prejudice was. My father always told me, 'We are all the same color inside.' I believe if I was prejudiced, people could sense it and they wouldn't laugh. I don't think I ever offended anyone."

Q. Do you have a limit on how risque you get in your act?

A. "I won't do really suggestive material. The most obscene word I use is 's-t.' I don't think there is a market for smut."

Reporter's Note: After the interview, Posch mentions this question in his act. This is how it went;

"A lady interviewing me asked me how dirty I get. The dirtiest word I use is 's-t.' A couple of nights ago, a woman asked me why I used that word so much. I told her I was too old to say doo-doo. The woman said she never had occasion to say that word. I said, 'Let me take you out to the parking lot and slam your hand in my car door and we'll see what you say. Besides, I have a 100-pound German Shepherd and he does not doo-doo!" Q. What about your personal life?

A. "I've lived on Pleasant Lake in Union Lake for seven years. I'm not very show biz. I'm basically shy. I'm divorced and have a nine-year-old son. In a week I'll be getting married. Her name is Pepper and she's from Waterford."

Q. Do you have anything you'd like to say to our readers?

A. "I really like this area. I own 51 acres on Seymour Lake and Hadley Roads. All I can say is, if they like pickin' and playin', come to the Old Mill."

Senator Griffin Reports

U.S. Senator Robert P. Griffin, R-Michigan, this week urged enactment of legislation to create an educational savings bond program to help meet the skyrocketing costs of college education.

Griffin joined as a prime co-sponsor of a bill to initiate a program of interest-free savings bonds that he said would "help parents save money in an orderly way for their children's education."

He pointed out that millions of Americans already buy savings bonds regularly - often through payroll plans - to help save for the future.

'So it makes real sense," said Griffin, "to create an educational savings bond program to give parents and youngsters alike the opportunity - and an incentive - to save for educational expenses down the road."

The legislation provides for insurance of savings bonds with various face values - such as \$25, \$50 and \$100 - with an annual interest rate of 7% and a maximum lifetime of 20 years. Unlike current savings bonds, however, the interest would be tax-free if the bonds were used to pay for qualified educational expenses such as room, board and tuition.

If, for some reason, the bonds could not be used for educational purposes, the interest simply would be taxed as income.

The bill (s. 2528) was introduced recently by U.S. Senator Bob Dole, R-Kansas.

According to Griffin, Michigan's senior senator, such a program would be "good news for many Americans who are struggling desperately to find a way to meet the increasingly heavy burden of financing education costs."

In addition to supporting the educational savings bond bill, Griffin also supports legislation providing for tuition tax credits - a concept with wide support - which, if enacted, he said, "would open the door of opportunity for many who otherwise find it closed."

Rubeola Appearing in Oakland

Rubeola (hard measles) is again appearing in Oakland County and, as has been the case in recent years, is occuring predominantly among the adolescent and young adult population over 10 years of age.

If your child is over 15 months of age and has not yet received measles vaccine as part of routine immunization, it is suggested they get the vaccine as quickly as possible since measles has been identified in the Oakland County area.

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On The Job

by Marilyn Bridgeman

Have you ever thought about making a visit back to the "hallowed halls" of your high school? I have, except my old high school was torn down and a new concrete super-structure was put in its place.

I had been given the On-the-Job assignment to be a teacher-for-a-day so I used it as the opportunity to go back to the "hallowed halls" of the new Pontiac Central High School.

I made arrangements with Stanley Rogell, a speech. teacher and debate and forensics coach at PCH, to sit in



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on his classes and hopefully instruct one of them.

I was more nervous anticipating this On-the-Job than any other. I had to get up in front of 25 to 30 strange students and attempt to teach a subject I knew nothing about. What if they didn't like me or resented my lack of expertise?

I arrived at 9:30 a.m. in the middle of Rogell's second hour speech class. A discussion of PCH's basketball team was under way. Mr. Rogell escorted me to the back of the room while he explained that the students normally took over the class as long as they-discussed the speech topics.

After about 15 more minutes of pros and cons about team spirit, coaching, PCH's chances of winning, etc., Mr. Rogell interjected to announce a new speaker.

A young man named Duane (alias Dirty Red per Mr. Rogell) stepped behind the podium. He began to tell a story that sent a chili down my spine.

The evening before, he and his cousin went to a neighborhood bar. Around midnight, a man came up to their table brandishing a gun. Before he knew what was happening, shots rang out and Duane said he ran out the door. A few minutes later, he learned his cousin had b been shot in the face.

"When you hurt, one of my blood, it's pain," he recalled. "He (his cousin) took his last breath when I was watching.'

He continued the story by saying he had been at the police station until 5:00 a.m. this morning. He knew who had shot his cousin, but the police had not apprehended the suspect yet. Duane said he believed it was an accident, that his cousin was not the intended victim; but while he was at the police station, some 'dudes'' came up and said he'd be killed next.

I sat in the back of the room, unable to believe my ears. This seemingly passive, soft-spoken person had, 10 hours earlier, seen his cousin gunned down andhad his own life threatened.

Rogell turned to me and said, "This is a catharsis." Then I understood that Duane could share this experience with his peers in this classroom without fearing reprisal or judgement.

The kids asked many questions and Duane answered as best as he could. When he was asked if he was afraid, Duane replied, "I'm so numb now, if someone was behind me ready to shoot, I'd be a dead man." Yet when someone queried if he would testify at the suspect's trial, Duane appeared hurt and answered indignantly, "Yes."

After the class filed out at the end of second hour, I also was numb. "How can I possibly relate to these kids?" I asked Rogell. He explained, "I never know what's going to happen in class. I want the kids to learn by example. I don't have a lesson plan, just a general idea of what we're going to do. I make myself invisible. When someone is up there speaking, it's his class."

I decided I'd better sit and be invisible through another class before I attempted to conduct one.

Third hour began to filter in. The students all seemed genuinely fond of Rogell, and no one commented on my presence.

Rogell introduced me to Mary Bochnig, a Forensics student who would be giving an interpretive reading to the third hour class. Before Mary began her reading, Rogell said that Mary had been experiencing great difficulty in school until she discovered her Forensics talents. And talented she is! Mary did a reading of Erma Bombeck's essay, "Let's Get Sex Out of the Schools and Into the Gutters Where it Belongs." The class enjoyed it immensely.

After Mary's reading, required speeches were given by the students. The topics ranged from Chronic Pain to Homosexuality. After each speaker, questions were accepted.

The speech that caused the most controversy concerned women participating in contact sports. The

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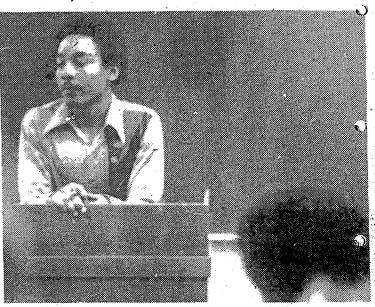
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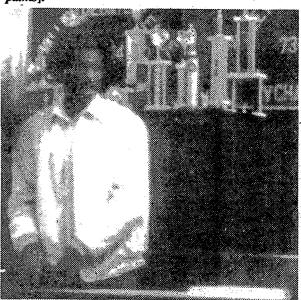
Stanley Rogell, speech instructor, Debate and Forensics Coach. PCH



Duane [Dirty Red] sharing his traumatic experience.



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Walker D. Russell, All-State Basketball team forward on PCH Basketball Team, giving impromtu speech.



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Some of my 4th hour students, L-R: Lori Woodmore, Anthony Marshall, Faith Barr, Kenneth Howard, Jr.

kinds were pretty well split on their views. To settle their differences, a PCH expert, Walker D. Russell, (all state basketball player) was asked how he would feel if a female joined the team. "We wouldn't win as much," he replied.

When the girls in the class calmed down, Walker explained that it wasn't the girl lacking ability, but the problem of getting the rest of the team to leave her alone and pay attention to the game.

After Walker D.'s impromptu speech, the class was in hysterics. Rogell and I laughed just as hard. Then without any prompting, the students quickly quieted down to listed to their other classmates' speeches.

Third hour ended. I knew it was soon to be now or never. "What do I do?" I frantically asked. Rogell said, "Just get up in front and welcome the class. The students are giving aspiration speeches today and you call on each student to speak, then make a comment on their delivery."

It sounded so simple. Even though my mouth was dry and my palms wet, I stepped up to the front of the room and attempted to greet the fourth hour students.

I needn't have worried about the kids disliking me they were so busy talking they didn't even notice me.

Finally, one student yelled for the class to quiet donw and "listen to the lady."

I told the students who I was; that I worked for a newspaper and this was an On-the-Job experience for my column. One boy asked what paper I worked for. "The Reminder," I replied. "What's that?" they asked in unison. (Oh well, The New York Times we're not).

I explained that I knew no more about teaching than they did. "As a matter of fact," I continued, "Eleven years ago; I was in your placed at this same school." Half the class responded with cheers, the others were busily figuring out how old I was.

I called for the first speaker. Then I shakily made my way back to my seat.

The first aspiration speech was given by Richard who aspired to run track in the 1980 Olympics. (My sole aspiration eleven years ago was to graduate from PCH).

Next the class heard a tape of the PCH Choir which had just returned from Atlanta, Georgia where they performed at the Superintendent's Conference in honor of retiring Pontiac School Superintendent, Dana Whitmer.

The class continued with a few more asperation speeches. I made introductions hoping I had the right name and friendly comments after each speech like "very good" and "nice speech." (What imagination!"

Most of the speeches were given by PCH athletes aspiring for scholarships. One young man inquired, "Why don't you concentrate on books instead of sports?" This gave Rogell an opportunity to talk about academic scholarships. I realized that the only way most of these kids could afford to go to college would be with the assistance of a grant.

When the tone sounded (What! No more bell)? I breathed a sigh of relief as fourth hour and my teaching career ended.

"The class was really wild and woolly today," Rogell commented. He added it wasn't because of me, but I knew better. Rogell, even though he remains unobtrusive, is obviously respected and admired by his students. He quietly keeps control just by his presence. I was a change. The kids probably sensed my fear and in their way took advantage of it.

Students drifted in and out of Rogell's classroom whether they belonged there or not. I could tell they feld comfortable in his classroom. Many stayed after to talk to him and each student seemed interested in Rogell's opinion of his or her speech.

My sojourn as a teacher was not very fulfilling for my students, but the kids sure taught me alot. My return to PCH was a real learning experience!

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by Sharon Springborn

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Dan Priebe of Clarkston, who was also on the ski trip and sustained minor injuries stated that the accident "happened so quickly I don't remember too much about what happened."

Priebe is back at school and work, as are Watts and Thompson.

Injured also was Kathi Watson of Clarkston, who suffered a hip injury and was hospitalized in Lincoln, Nebraska. Ms. Watson isn't a student at Oakland University.

After the accident, the Continental Trailways company, on whose bus the students had been riding, treated the students to dinner on Sunday night and made arrangements to fly them to Detroit.

Connections became fouled after the students flew from Omaha to Minneapolis where they caught the plane that was to take them to Detroit. When the plane reached Detroit's Metro Airport, the dense fog caused the plane to circle the airport three times before finally flying on to New York's Kennedy Airport.

From New York, the students rode a bus to Newark, New Jersey where they caught the flight that finally brought them to Detroit at about 2 p.m. Monday.



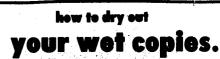
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(Instructor for all dog classes: Bernadine Paull)

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GUITAR - Intermediate: April 4, 1978, 8:00 p.m. for 8

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AEROBIC DANCE - "Keep Fit, Be Happy", Dance and Exercise to music. Cardio-Vasular Program (heart, lungs, etc.). Begins April 5, 1978, 6:00 p.m., 8 weeks, \$16. Marion \$16.00. Larkin, Instructor.

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"DISCO DANCE" - Beginners: Begins April 5, 1978, at 9:00 p.m. for 8 weeks. \$16/person. Theresa Bishop Muller, Instructor.

THURSDAY

ADULT TAP DANCE: Begins April 6, 1978 at 11:00 a.m. for 8 weeks. \$16/person. Marion Larkin, Instructor.

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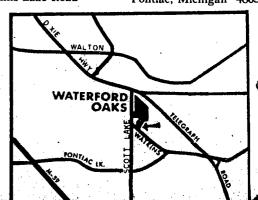
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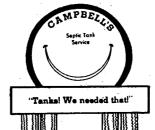
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