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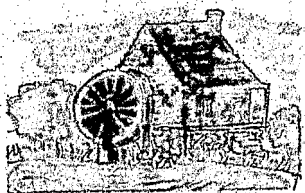
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AROUND



THE MILL POND

Flying snowman?

We staffers at the Clarkston Eccentric noticed a snowman in the front yard of a Holcomb Road house several days before Monday's surprise snow. We did a double-take, wondering how anyone made a snowman before it had snowed. After figuring out it must have been made of realistic-looking synthetic material, we smiled at how natural it looked when it finally did snow. Then late this week, we noticed it was gone! Knowing it couldn't have melted, we wondered if it took a little boy on a worldwide flying trip just like the snowman in the beloved book, "The Snowman."

Enjoy the season

Independence Township Supervisor Dale Stuart complimented the community on the array of holiday light displays. At Tuesday's regular township board meeting, he encouraged families to take time to enjoy the decorations in their neighborhoods.

Treasurer Jim Wenger also reminded residents that the township offices will be closed on Dec. 24, 27 and 31. He said people paying their taxes at the last minute on Dec. 31 to get a benefit on their 1999 income tax return can pay at the several area banks that accept tax payments.

Catch a wave

Who needs an ocean to appreciate the power and majesty of water? On a blustery Friday, the wind was whipping up white caps on Deer Lake. Against a gray sky and bare trees on the hills, it's a powerful sight indeed.



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School parent groups uniting



■ Clarkston's various school parent groups are now united under one new organization, the Parent Advisory Team, in their efforts to make a positive difference in the education of their children.

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For whatever reason, Clarkston Community Schools parent groups are either Parent Teacher Associations or Parent Teacher Organizations. The high school has a Parent Teacher Student Association. Presidents of the groups have met

monthly for about eight years with the PTA Council. But in the past couple of years, there's been some questions about how the PTO presidents fit in with the council since it follows PTA rules and regulations.

Now, there's a new organization in Clarkston called the Parent Advisory Team. The group held its first meeting Thursday.

"Its purpose is to promote a united

approach to issues that relate to our children's health and education in the public schools," said Joyce Nienhuis, PTA president at Bailey Lake Elementary School. "This is an opportunity for round table sharing — whether a group is a PTO or a PTA so we can impact district operations."

The Council

The idea behind the PTA Council, according to president April Copeman, is for representatives from each of the schools' parent groups to meet, share information and lend support to each other wherever possible.

It meets the third Thursday of the

month. Superintendent Al Roberts joins them the first half hour to discuss what's going on in the school district. Then the representatives talk about issues of concern and share information. Much of it is about what the state and national PTAs are doing for the schools.

"We filter down information," explained Copeman, who also is PTA president at Pine Knob Elementary. "We follow the mission of the state PTA, which includes making a united effort to secure for all children and youth the highest advantages in physi-

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A time for family: The Smith family enjoys all the holiday lights in the neighborhood. Kathy Smith, in the back holding son Mitchell, organized the lighting scheme. In front of her are children Travis, Trevor and Katie.

'I'm gonna let it shine'

Coordinated lights give residents glowing feeling



Illuminated: Most of the homes in the Sashabaw Creek Meadows subdivision have creatively used lights to make the streets shine.

BY SALLY SLAUGHTER
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Twinkling, bright and soothing all at once, the light display in the Sashabaw Creek Meadows subdivision has passersby gapping.

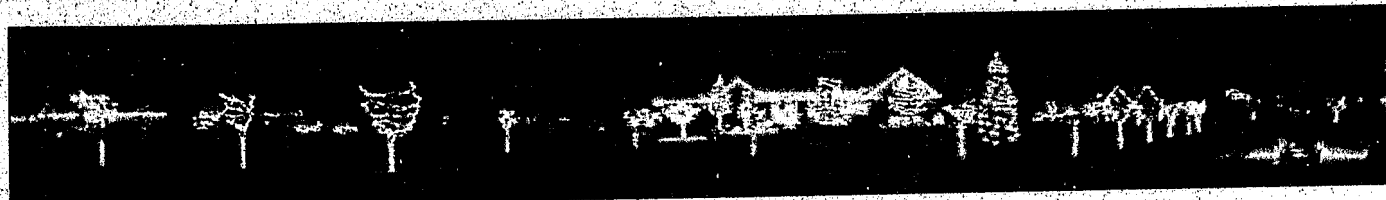
A total neighborhood effort in the 54-home subdivision off Sashabaw Road north of Clarkston Road creates a holiday wonderland feeling. Nearly every tree on the tree-lined street has red lights on the trunk and green lights in the branches. Most homes add to the glow with their own creative lighting jobs.

Two residents are responsible for coordinating

Please see LIGHTS, A4



Lighting the way: The real Santa shouldn't have any trouble finding good boys and girls in the Sashabaw Creek Meadows subdivision.



Dazzling display: Uniform tree lighting makes the neighborhood a spectacular sight.

'Nutcracker' comes to Clarkston

BY SUSAN B. TAUBER
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A new Christmas tradition is coming to town.

The Lakes Area Civic Ballet Co. is presenting its original version of "The Nutcracker" to school groups Wednesday and Thursday and to the public Friday and Saturday nights at Clarkston High School Auditorium for the first time. The school is

at 6093 Flemings Lake Road in Independence Township.

The company previously performed this holiday story at West Bloomfield High School for many years, according to founding director Terri Newman.

But thanks to an invitation by The Clarkston Foundation, the company will perform in Clarkston and hopes to call the high school auditorium its home for future performances.

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STAFF PHOTO BY STEVE CANTRELL

New tradition: Independence Township Planning Commissioner Todd Moss and daughter Allison are dancing together in "The Nutcracker."

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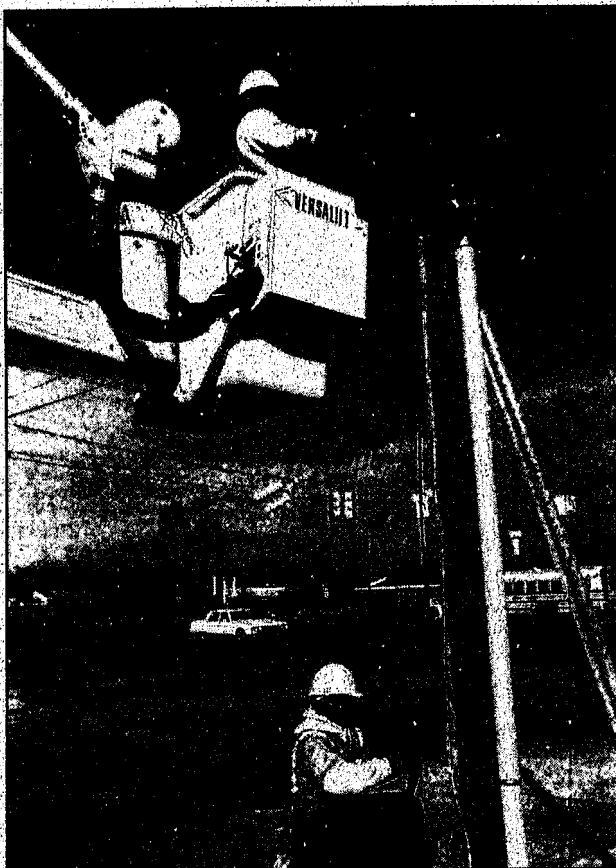
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STATE PHOTO BY GARY MALIK
New signal: Ron Richardson (above) and John Ward of the Road Commission for Oakland County install a new signal at Dixie Highway and White Lake Road.

New signal will ease left turns onto Dixie

Clarkston-area residents will have an easier time turning left from White Lake Road onto Dixie Highway any time now.

The Road Commission for Oakland County began installing a new traffic signal with a dedicated green arrow for left turn lanes last week. Once it's fully operational, the signal will benefit motorists turning left onto Dixie Highway from either westbound or eastbound White Lake Road.

This updated traffic signal also means vehicles won't need to travel through downtown Clarkston to get to northbound M-15. Instead, they can easily turn left from White Lake Road onto northbound Dixie Highway to get to the I-75 entrances.

"This is Phase One for getting trucks to avoid driving through Clarkston," said Clarkston Police Chief Paul Ormiston. "Their weight on the streets causes historic buildings to vibrate, which can damage them."

Phase Two could be completed this summer when Michigan Department of Transportation may install a traffic light with a left-turn signal at the southbound ramp of I-75 at M-15.

Once the second light is installed, vehicles will enter

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southbound I-75 at Dixie Highway north of Big Lake Road, exit at M-15 and turn north with the help of the traffic signal.

Craig Bryson with RCOC said installing the light at White Lake Road and Dixie Highway is a complex operation.

"The extra left-turn signal requires additional power and that means rewiring the signal," he explained.

He said RCOC is installing the \$51,000 light for MDOT, which ordered it.

"It's routine for RCOC to install lights for MDOT," he said. "MDOT is responsible for that portion of Dixie Highway. We're just helping them out."

READER REFERENCE

Clarkston school events

Dec. 13: Skate Night, Bailey Lake Elementary, 6:30 p.m.

PTA meeting, Sashabaw Middle School, 6:30 p.m.

Dec. 14: Varsity Volleyball, Clarkston High School, 6 p.m. at home.

Varsity Hockey, Clarkston High School, 6 p.m.

Dec. 14: Skate Night, Pine Knob Elementary, 6:30 p.m.

Ski Club (weather permitting), Clarkston Elementary School, 3:30-8 p.m.

Freshman Boys Basketball, Clarkston High, 4 p.m.

Dec. 15: Middle schools basketball, 4 p.m.

Winter Orchestra Concert, Clarkston Middle School, 7 p.m.

Dec. 16:

Vocal Concert, Sashabaw Middle School, 7 p.m.

Varsity Boys Swimming, Clarkston High, 6:30 p.m.

Dec. 16-17: Holiday parties.

Dec. 17: Winter break begins at end of school.

Wrestling, Clarkston High School, 3:30 p.m.

Clarkston elementary school lunches

Price: \$1.60 a plate

Monday: Mini sub sandwich, barbecued baked beans, orange sherbet cup.

Tuesday: Ham and cheese sub; carrot/celery sticks, cinnamon apple sauce. Pizza Hut pizza at Andersonville, Independence, Clarkston and Springfield Plains elementaries.

Wednesday: Pepperoni pizza square, tossed salad with dressing, cherry shape-up.

Thursday: Holiday feast—roast beef with au jus, snow drift potatoes, homemade roll, diced pears, holiday cookie.

Friday: Chicken patty on a bun, orange smiles, potato wedges. Birthday celebrations.

Independence Township Library

Dec. 14: Evening Book Discussion Group, 7:30-9 p.m.

Dec. 15: Bedtime Storytime, 7-8 p.m.

Independence Township Recreation

Dec. 17-19: Family Holiday Fest at Bay Court Park.

Hours are 6-9 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 2-5 p.m. Sunday. Cost is \$5 per person or \$20 per family.

Registration for senior citizen bounce volleyball is going on now. Play begins Jan. 11 and runs from 7-8:30 p.m. each Tuesday at the Independence Elementary gym.

Independence Township Senior Center Lunch Menu

Monday: Chicken lasagna

Tuesday: Turkey breast

Wednesday: Healthy Choice pepper steak

Thursday: Boston crumb scrod

Friday: Pork roast with stuffing

Clarkston Public Access Channel 65

The Sashabaw News Report tells what's going on at Sashabaw Middle School. Produced by students, it airs at 4 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

The Clarkston High School production of "You Can't Take It With You" will be shown at 7 p.m. Wednesday and at 7:30 p.m. Friday.

Frontline, Oakland County's version of "Cops" is on at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday.

Watch the Independence Township board meeting at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday.

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License to fly: Jack Thompson Jr. of Independence Township recently obtained his pilot's license at Oakland International Airport in Waterford.

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Independence teenager soaring high with new pilot's license

BY CAROLYN WALKER
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Waterford Kettering 12th-grader Jack Thompson Jr. took a childhood flight of fancy and made it a reality recently.

On Dec. 2, he received his official private pilot's license.

"I can fly single engine airplanes, under 200 horsepower, anywhere I want to go," he said from his Independence Township home last week.

Thompson's pilot license does not permit him to fly over the ocean or to transport people for hire — such as photographers or parachutists — but that is not a problem for the young man, who has a dream of going to Embury Riddle Aeronautical University after high school.

After graduation from college, he intends to enter the U.S. Air Force, where he hopes to attend the Air Force flight school.

"I'd have to do it all over again, but I don't mind," he said, referring to the flight education process.

"I'm going to become an aerospace engineer. I've been interested since I knew what flying was. It's always been my life.

I didn't expect to do it until I went in the Air Force. It makes everything a little more realistic by doing it now."

Thompson began his pilot's training in February with instructor Keith Bryan. In order to become a pilot he had to do book work and ground courses, take tests and log at least 40 hours in the air, which had to include solo time, night and day flying, and three hours of simulated instrument flying.

Thompson met Bryan through his grandmother and, after doing some work for him, signed on to learn flying, using Bryan's Piper Cherokee 140 airplane.

"I feel safer than anything else once I get in the air," Thompson said. "My instructor said I haven't had a big scare yet; that's why I'm not afraid."

For their part, Thompson said his parents support his effort.

"Once they fly with me, they relax," he said. Thompson recently flew his mother, Jacqueline, to lunch in Jackson, to dessert in Ann Arbor, and then flew her home.

"Obviously, we're very proud," said his father, Jack Sr., "especially (of) the ambition he's shown in working with this gen-

tleman who's become his mentor. He's really shown a lot of maturity."

"It's something he's always wanted to do since he was 3 or 4 years old."

In addition to school, flying and working at the World Gym, Thompson belongs to the Civil Air Patrol, based in Waterford.

The air patrol is an auxiliary of the Air Force and offers its young members education, search and rescue, and leadership training.

Thompson, a second lieutenant and cadet commander of the Oakland Composite Squadron, is certified in search and rescue and recently helped search for a man whose plane was lost in northern Michigan.

"It's kind of like a pre-ROTC program," he said of the air patrol. "A lot of people, myself included, like to think of it as a way to quench our thirst to go in the military."

As far as flying goes, Thompson says his favorite flight time is at night.

"I like to fly at night. It's real calm and it's beautiful," he said. "Especially around Detroit."

As much as he likes being in the air, when Thompson is on

the ground, he's not resting. He is working to obtain a patent for a device he's invented that helps prevent airplane wheels from screeching during a landing.

Because the patent is pending, he would not discuss it in detail, other than to say, "I like problem solving, so I just look at things and say, 'How can I make that better?'"

Better has only one way to go — and that is up!

Springfield OKs land purchase, salary increases

BY SALLY SLAUGHTER
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Negotiations and plans for the new Springfield Township Civic Center are ongoing, and officials are hoping residents should be able to visit the facility in about 18 months.

The township has received preliminary approval from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources to use land off Davisburg Road across from Davisburg Elementary School for the building.

There had been a months-long hold up while the DNR pondered the switch. Springfield wants to use 7.5 acres of land it had acquired 15 years ago through the Michigan Land Trust Fund for the civic center. It had to get permission because that land was supposed to be used as park land. In exchange, the township had suggested buying 78 acres west of Long Lake to replace the civic center land. The 78 acres would be left untouched.

The board gave Supervisor Collin Walls and the township attorney permission to negotiate the land purchase, Strole said. The township received a document from the property owners late Thursday that contained provisions not in keeping with the township's plans. However, some of the land owners were at Thursday's meeting and expressed that what was in the document was not in line with their wishes.

"It would appear that their intent is consistent with the needs of the township," Strole said.

So talks will proceed. Meanwhile, the township approved a \$3,800 contract with Anderson Eckstein & Westrick to complete

septic system plans for the site. Also approved was a \$9,960 contract with Carlisle/Wortman to complete the building's site plan.

Salary increases

Officials also set salaries for 2000 for staff members and elected officials. Strole said although township budgets must be set by Nov. 1, salaries do not have to be agreed upon until the end of the year.

Staff members received a 5 percent raise. A year ago the township commissioned a study that found employees were underpaid. The 5 percent represents enough to get the 12 staff members up to an average salary plus cost-of-living increases for 1998 and 1999, she said.

The highest paid staff person is the assessor, whose salary for 1999 was \$45,000. The new salary is \$47,250. The fire chief's salary will go from \$34,000 to \$35,700. The planning coordinator's salary will go from \$25,000 to \$26,300.

The elected officials didn't take a 5 percent raise.

"We provided a range and picked one," Strole said.

Walls' salary will go from \$49,000 to \$51,500, about a 3 percent increase. Salaries for Strole and Treasurer Lois Stiles will increase from \$43,700 to \$45,100, also about 3 percent. Trustees decided to keep the same salaries. They make \$1,040 per year plus \$80 per meeting.

In other action, the site plan for a car wash addition to the East Holly Mobil gas station was approved. The station is at Holly Road and I-75.

5 new commercial buildings approved for development at Sashabaw-Waldon

BY SALLY SLAUGHTER
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By the end of the summer, parents should be able to drop off their children at a new day care center in the long-awaited Independence Town Square development.

A conceptual site plan and PUD designation were approved by the Independence Township Planning Commission for the 11.5-acre parcel Thursday. The site on Waldon Road near Sashabaw behind the Farmer Jack grocery store was originally zoned single-family residential. The property is owned by Ed Adler, and five commercial buildings are planned, said Chuck Hamann, broker for the project.

"The zoning we need lines up perfectly with the Vision 2020 (township strategic) plan," Hamann said.

The plan calls for clustered residential, commercial and office uses in the area.

Discussion on the development was tabled in January 1998. Township Building Director Beverly

McElmeel said Adler had not submitted anything further until now.

The development calls for five commercial buildings totaling 80,000 square feet. Each building will overlook a man-made pond. One building will have 22,400 square feet of space; two will be 14,000 square feet, and one will be 13,000 square feet. The smallest will be 7,800 square feet. Hamann said they may have room to increase the size of two of the medium-sized structures.

The smallest and one of the 14,000-square-foot buildings are already leased. One will be a day care center, and the other will be general office use.

"We expect to break ground quickly," he said. The day care will be constructed first. There is a time element to it because the big registration time for centers is late summer.

Hamann also said he is working on getting a tenant in the largest structure. Hamann added it isn't unusual for developments of this size to take several years to go from an idea to finished product.

POLICE NEWS

Following are some incidents recently reported to police and fire agencies in Independence and Springfield townships and the city of the Village of Clarkston.

Independence Police

Hazardous driving

On Dec. 9, a 23-year-old Clarkston man was ticketed for hazardous driving on southbound Sashabaw Road. A deer struck the side of a vehicle driven by a Lake Orion woman on Sashabaw Road. The deer fell in the roadway. The driver stopped the vehicle. A second vehicle driven by a Clarkston man stopped, but

the third vehicle was unable to stop in time and hit the middle car.

Burglary-force

On Dec. 8, someone broke the lock off a door to a trailer on a construction site in the 7200 block of Bluewater. The person removed power tools and a tool box valued at more than \$1,300.

Springfield Police

Roll-over accident

On Dec. 8, a trailer carrying two vehicles turned over when the truck pulling the trailer was making a left turn onto northbound Dixie Highway from Big Lake Road. The driver of the

vehicle, a Woodhaven man, was not injured. Traffic was tied up for about an hour, according to the police report.

Larceny from vehicle

On Dec. 8, a homeowner in the 10000 block of Hutchinson found a gun missing from a gun case in back of an all-terrain vehicle.

Independence Fire

Fire calls

Independence Township Fire Department responded to 10 calls Dec. 6-8. These included six medical calls, two personal-injury calls and two investigations.

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Clarkston Foundation has role in ballet

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Two people who see the importance of the arts from different perspectives share much of the credit for bringing "The Nutcracker" to Clarkston.

Terri Newman is founding director of the Lakes Area Civic Ballet Co. Her dancers are performing the holiday ballet. A Clarkston resident, she also has a dance studio, The Dance Shoppe, in Waterford. She lives and breathes dance, even with having two athletic sons, Tom and Dan Newman, at Clarkston High School.

Todd Moss, on the other hand, is a father who has watched his daughter, Allison, 16, practice dance several times a week without much recognition for many years.

"I see my daughter and her friends working so hard at her dance, but there never seems to be any visibility for these dancers," said Moss.

So he approached the Clarkston Foundation board to sponsor the Lakes Area Bal-

let so it could bring its Nutcracker to Clarkston. The foundation raises money for arts and sciences in the K-12 curriculum for Clarkston public and private schools. Moss is the foundation's treasurer and president-elect.

"I think Terri had a similar idea. We both see this as a way for the community to show its support of the arts," Moss explained.

The Clarkston Foundation board took a vote, and a partnership was formed.

Neither Moss nor Newman could be more pleased.

"I've always gotten behind my sons' sports, and now they can see how the community is getting behind the arts," she said.

While neither of her sons dance, they and her husband, Scott, help out at company performances.

"One of our goals of 'The Nutcracker' is to expose younger people to the ballet," she said. That's why the company and the foundation are sponsoring performances for school groups Wednesday and Thurs-

day for just \$5 a ticket.

"The only thing we can't offer that 'The Nutcracker' performances have in downtown Detroit is a live symphony. We do have beautiful professional sets, which we purchased from Ballet Arizona," Newman said.

Add to that the beautiful costumes and exceptional dancers, and she said the outcome is one to remember.

Newman is so thankful to the Clarkston Foundation for giving the ballet company a chance to perform at Clarkston High School.

"They made it possible financially for us to come to the high school," she said.

The Clarkston Foundation is selling 100 tickets for \$100 each.

"These are selling fast," Moss said. "The foundation is also producing the playbills and is responsible for the large banner promoting 'The Nutcracker' that's hanging over Main Street."

"The foundation is really excited," he added. "These are the types of projects we want to promote."

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The ballet offers area residents an opportunity to see a live performance of "The Nutcracker" and a chance to watch familiar faces on stage.

Michel Faigaux and Daniela Sodero from the Alberta Ballet in Canada will dance the roles of the Prince and Sugar Plum Fairy, respectively. Faigaux is a principal dancer with Alberta Ballet. Both have performed as lead dancers with prominent ballet companies in the United States and Canada.

Local members of the Lakes Area Civic Ballet are working with the professional ballet dancers. The Nutcracker was choreographed by ballet mistress Christine Bove of Clarkston. They've been practicing for weeks at Newman's Dance Shoppe studio in Waterford.

Local talent

Among the talented Waterford Township youth are Taryn Huizenga, Kelsey Schmidt, Shawn Katterman, Brittany Peters, Cassandra Rosas and Megan Jakel.

The Clarkston-area dancers are Jenna Bartholme, Kristin Boosier, Kelly Dobbins, Rebecca Eaton, Megan Kage, Danielle McGahey, Michelle Marmon, Maggie Ness, Sophie Ness, Angela Regiani, Ashley Shaw,

What: "The Nutcracker Ballet" by the Lakes Area Civic Ballet Co. in association with The Clarkston Foundation.

When: 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

Where: Clarkston High School Auditorium, 6093 Flemings Lake Road.

Tickets: \$14, \$12 and \$10. Available at Clarkston State Banks locations; Terri Newman's Dance Shoppe; The Clarkston Foundation or by calling (248) 666-1971 after 4 p.m. or (248) 625-7500 during the day.

Lauren Struble, Leslie Swetich, Katie Tuson and Emily Wiggins.

Others from Clarkston are Karen Weil, Stephanie Lang, Al Bartlett, David Kramer and Todd Moss and his daughter, Allison Moss.

You read that right—Todd Moss, the commissioner with the Independence Township Planning Commission.

"This is totally out of character for me," said Moss. He decided to perform the role of Clara's father in the ballet. His

daughter Allison plays multiple roles, including Clara's mother.

"I decided it would be fun to do this with Allison," Moss said.

Al Bartlett, a retired Clarkston High School English teacher, has the role of Clara's grandfather. Independence Township Assessor David Kramer will be on stage as a party guest.

"I love 'The Nutcracker,'" Kramer said. "I've taken my whole family, grandchildren included, to see 'The Nutcracker' with the Detroit Symphony and decided performing in the ballet would be fun."

He said the men do dance steps that aren't "athletically challenging."

"We do have to be in step rhythmically," he added.

Nutcracker story

The Nutcracker is choreographed to the music of composer Piotr Ilich Tchaikovsky. The story begins at a Christmas Eve party at the residence of Mr. Stahlbaum and his children, Clara and Fritz. A guest gives a nutcracker shaped like a toy soldier to Clara. The ballet revolves around Clara's dream about the Nutcracker, Snow Queen, the Prince, Sugar

Plum Fairy and other notable characters.

Karen Weil, 15, of Clarkston dances the role of Clara. The student at Marion High School in Bloomfield Hills said this is the first time she's had the lead role. The students auditioned for the parts.

"I'm pretty nervous since I have the lead," she said, although she's danced in 'The Nutcracker' for four previous years.

Karen said she's working hard to learn all of her dance steps. She's been studying dance since she was 3.

Megan, who dances the role of the Snow Queen, played Clara for the past two years with the Lakes Area Civic Ballet.

The sophomore at Waterford Mott High School knows she wants to be a professional ballerina. The 1998 Junior Miss Dance of Michigan attended classes with the Joffrey Ballet in New York City when she went there for the national dance competitions. She placed in the top 10.

"It wasn't so much that the classes with the Joffrey were so difficult," she said, "as much as they were such perfectionists. Every move they made was absolutely perfect."

PAT from page A1

cal, mental, social and spiritual education."

The PAT

Each school will be able to have two representatives at the PAT meetings, one being the PTA or PTO president or a delegate.

"The PAT won't make any decisions. We will be a voice of all the parent organizations in the district. We'll communicate directly with Dr. Roberts, who also is part of this new council," she said.

"There's a place for both organizations — the PTA Council and PAT," said Nienhuis. "PAT doesn't replace the council. It's not a do-or organization but a voice for the school district from all of the parent organizations in the district. It's more a parent advisory team."

History of the Council

Dree Wint, vice president of the PTA Council and with the PTO at Andersonville Elementary, called the PTA Council an "unsung hero."

"Since the PTA is part of the

national and state organizations, it brings many benefits to all students in Clarkston schools, not just to those who attend PTA-affiliated schools," she said.

Some of the benefits come from legislation lobbied for by the PTA.

An example is the fall zone that's been instituted for playground equipment. This requires public schools to have several inches of cushioning material under the equipment.

"Even though the PTA brought this about, all children are safer

because of our events," said Copeman.

The nonprofit organization also sponsors conferences, projects and programs for students, teachers and parents.

Locally it sponsors several programs for Clarkston schools, such as the Reflections Program to promote creativity in children, the all-night graduation party, the Clarkston High School Scholarship Fund and the middle schools' Asset Development programs, among others.

OBITUARIES

Pamela J. Emery

Pamela J. Emery of Clarkston died Tuesday, Dec. 7, 1999, at age 60.

Mrs. Emery loved antiques, garage sales, bingo and her grandchildren. She was a member of St. Stephen Lutheran Church in Waterford.

Mrs. Emery was preceded in death by her son, Marc (Stacey Chavis), and her mother, Ola Carlton.

She is survived by her husband of 31 years, Kenneth; son Scott (Jenny) of Rochester Hills; and daughter, Stephanie of Ortonville. She is also survived by her father, Lloyd Carlton of Rochester; mother-in-law, Margaret Emery of Illinois; brother, Fred (Sherri) Carlton of Clarkston; brothers-in-law, Stan Emery of Oregon and Roger Emery of Illinois; sister-in-law, Kathy (Don) Davis of Illinois; and five grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Friday at Coats Funeral Home, Waterford.

Interment was at Christian Memorial Cemetery, Rochester Hills.

Funeral arrangements were

entrusted to Coats Funeral Home, Waterford.

William E. O'Roark

William E. O'Roark of Stuart, Fla., formerly of Clarkston, died Dec. 4, 1999, at age 74.

Mr. O'Roark served in the U.S. Army during World War II, in the E.T.O. and P.T.O. He retired from Pontiac Motors and was a life member of VFW, Elks and the Masons. He was also a member of American Legion Post No. 63, Clarkston, for more than 51 years.

Mr. O'Roark was preceded in death by his sons, James and Todd. He is survived by his wife, Norma; sister, Vivian Sapsford of Walled Lake; and sister-in-law, Anita Davison of Gaylord.

A memorial graveside service will be held at a later date at Lakeview Cemetery, Clarkston.

Memorials may be made to the Hospice of Martin and St. Lucie County Inc., 2030 S.E. Ocean Blvd., Stuart, Fla.

Local arrangements were entrusted to the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home, Clarkston.

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Senate moves to ban 'wolf-dogs' and other exotic pets

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Sale and possession of dangerous animals, including wolf-dog crosses and other "large carnivores" such as bears or undomesticated cats, would be illegal under a set of bills approved by the Michigan Senate.

But critics were concerned some family dogs might be confused for wolf-dogs. Members voted 33-2 on Senate Bill 782, sponsored by Sen. Bill Bullard (R-

Highland) and 29-5 on Senate Bill 205, sponsored by Sen. Leon Stille (R-Spring Lake) outlawing the dangerous animals Thursday, Dec. 2.

Both bills would allow those who already own such exotic animals to keep their pets, but they would be subject to a set of new rules. Current owners would be required to post their property to warn passers-by that a dangerous animal is housed there, would not be allowed to leash their animals unattended in the yard, and would have to get an annual permit from local animal

control officers. Both bills allow for destruction of those animals if they harm a human.

Sen. David Jaye (R-Macomb) argued that both bills would erode personal liberties, but he was especially concerned about the ban on wolf-dogs.

"You're going to condemn a lot of innocent people to lose their pets, their loyal family dog, and people with modest incomes will not have enough money to contest the claims by others that their dog is not a wolf dog," he said. "There is no scientific way to visually, medically,

or any way through DNA testing to identify what is a wolf dog ... I wonder how many of you would think that the Siberian husky is or isn't a wolf dog? What about an Alaskan malamute?"

Sen. John Cherry (D-Clío) noted that there are characteristics which can be used to identify wolf-dogs.

"A wolf tracks in a straight line," he said. "Hardly any dogs do that. Is the tail curled or straight?" Dogs' tails are curled.

Cherry offered an amendment to the bill to identify wolf-dogs that have all of

four traits mentioned in the law. Previously, the bill defined an animal as a wolf-dog if it possessed any one of the four traits.

"Every wolf-dog is a danger," he said, explaining why they should be outlawed for sale.

Both bills now move to the House for approval.

All local senators voted for the measures, except Sen. Joanne Emmons (R-Big Rapids) who was absent.

Holiday gift comes early for HAVEN

HAVEN (Help Against Violent Encounters Now), the Pontiac shelter for abused women and children, received an early Christmas present Friday when Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson was to hand over checks totaling \$115,000 to the organization's Executive Director

Hedy Nuriel, during the Oakland County Employees Annual Holiday Party at the Northfield Hilton in Troy.

The donations, which were solicited by Patterson to help HAVEN rebuild following the devastating fire that destroyed the shelter in November, include

\$10,000 from the Oakland County Employees Casual Day Fund; \$20,000 from Lear Corporation; \$25,000 from the Rhoda Burke Andrews Foundation; \$25,000 from a donor who wishes to remain anonymous and \$25,000 from Patrick Tooman, CEO of Plastic Engineering and Technical Services, Inc.

"I can't thank these corporate citizens and organizations enough for responding to my call to assist HAVEN in its hour of greatest need," Patterson said. "Their generosity, especially at this time of the year, is greatly appreciated and will help HAVEN rebound from the tragedy which temporarily closed its door last month."

During the Holiday Party, Patterson was to present 10 other charities with checks totaling \$22,000.

The beneficiaries include Give-A-Christmas Fund (\$5,000); Pontiac Rescue Mission (\$3,500); Children's Village (\$2,500); Community Services of Oakland (\$2,500); Child Abuse and Neglect Council of Oakland County (\$2,000); North Oakland Medical Center-Neo Natal Intensive Care Unit (\$1,500); Leader Dogs for the Blind (\$1,500); Greater Pontiac Community Coalition (\$1,000); Koats for Kids (\$1,000) and Vietnam Veterans of America Oakland County 133 (\$1,000).

Since Patterson established the Casual Day Fund in 1993, more than \$165,000 has been distributed to local charities. The fund is made possible by the generosity of county employees who contribute \$1 to the jean jar every Friday for the opportunity of being able to wear casual clothes to work.

Another highlight of the party was to be the announcement of grand prize winners in the annual Employee Suggestion Program. Those employees who submitted ideas to save the county the most money were awarded trips to Hawaii, Cancun and Toronto, while several others won cash prizes. The Employee Suggestion Program is funded entirely through the County Executive's Annual Golf Outing and no taxpayer dollars are used. Since the program began almost seven years ago, suggestions submitted by county employees have saved taxpayers more than \$3 million.

■ ... The fund is made possible by the generosity of county employees who contribute \$1 to the jean jar every Friday for the opportunity of being able to wear casual clothes to work.

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The romance of diamonds is alive for New Year's

THE JEWELRY LADY



DENISE RODGERS

Where do you plan to be on the 31st? And what do you plan to wear?

Ring in the New Year has taken on more significance than the bicentennial moments we celebrated back in 1976.

Then again, we're not talking centuries. We're talking about a millennium, which does tend to put a little pressure

on the celebration and on the idea of New Year's Eve gift-giving.

After all, we won't have another chance for this kind of celebration for another 1,000 years. Even if you think you'll be around in the year 2999 for the next media overkill, that's a long wait.

That said, the gifts of choice to celebrate the millennium make perfect sense: diamonds and platinum. Could anything else be more beautiful, versatile and enduring?

While I intend to ring in the New Year by watching the Times Square ball drop from the comfort of my bed, I will be wearing diamonds!

Don't believe me? Read on. Romance is alive and well for the millennium.

One man who is taking romance seriously this New Year's Eve is Kevin Burke, of Birmingham. He purchased a diamond engagement ring from Frank Yanke of Yanke Designs in Franklin.

"He plans to spend New Year's Day with his girlfriend in Chicago, where they met," said Yanke. The prospective groom also has an elaborate day planned. He'll begin with brunch and a romantic walk to the Fourth Presbyterian Church. Once there, he'll light candles and propose to his girlfriend in the glow of the dawn of the new millennium. Now that sounds like a plan to me. Not to mention, it includes diamonds!

"We're expecting a lot of proposals for New Year's," said David Norman, executive vice president of tjewelry.com, a Troy-based Internet jewelry seller that debuted this fall. The site features 2,000 pieces of jewelry, including officially certified diamonds, and the company plans to double their web site offerings in their first months of operation.

Alexia Bongiorno, of Alexander J. Bongiorno Creative Jewelers in Troy, shared another romantic tale from his customers. It's about the lasting love and friendship of three couples, who have been celebrating New Year's Eve together for the past 42 years.

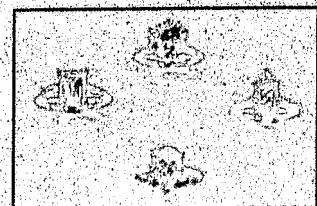
This year, they plan to do add some dazzle to the celebration; each of the three men in the group has commissioned Bongiorno to create a small, diamond-set platinum cross for their wives. Each piece will be presented, as these special friends ring in the new century and millennium together.

But perennial diamond favorites, like diamond stud earrings and diamond tennis bracelets, also are getting notice when it comes to celebrating the New Year.

At Skyline Diamond Setters in Troy both are being purchased as Christmas gifts for recipients to wear on New Year's Eve, said Skyline's Jennifer Cleveland.

Also, many customers are upgrading their stud earrings to impressive sizes. One in particular was sized up to an ear-dragging total weight of 3.18 carats, she said. Then again, the size of engagement ring diamonds seems to be getting larger, too, said Cleveland.

If you have news, comments or questions about jewelry, The Jewelry Lady may be reached by fax, (248) 582-9223, by e-mail, rodgers@emich.com, or by writing to: c/o Observer/Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009.



Time piece: The millennium has more people buying diamonds this holiday season.

Parent's helpers

Retailers keep kids busy this holiday

BY NICOLE STAFFORD
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Joshua Smith and his mother Catherine waited two hours in line at the Somerset Collection in Troy to visit with Santa.

Though Catherine felt the wait, two-year-old Joshua was too busy playing games and watching holiday performers.

"He was entertained all the way through," Smith said of Somerset's efforts to make the wait as easy as possible. "The parents will feel the wait, but the kids won't."

But anything local malls and retailers can do to keep kids busy and upbeat during the holiday shopping season is helpful, said Smith, who lives in Birmingham. "It's a tough time of year. You're trying to run errands and you want to spend time with your kids."

While time and patience have always been a part of parenting, most of today's mothers and fathers have less of both to spare. Holiday shopping and traditional activities, like taking the kids to see Santa, only makes parents' schedules more hectic. To keep families coming out, malls and retailers are finding ways to make visits less stressful and more enjoyable.

At the Somerset Collection, children waiting in line to visit Santa can play checkers, read books, explore Santa's castle, catch and throw oranges and interact with performers dressed in medieval garb.

After talking with Santa and having their pictures snapped, children receive a copy of the book "The Giving Season" and select three gold coins — they're worth 75 cents at a handful of mall stores



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St. Nick: Nicolas Rabah, 4, of Farmington Hills, sits and talks with Santa while his mother takes a break.



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Little extras: Jordan Hlieb, 1, of Sterling Heights, takes in all the fun at Santa's castle at the Somerset Collection in Troy. After visiting Santa, children select coins from a treasure trunk worth 75 cents at several nearby stores. Helpers and performers at the castle make the wait less stressful for kids, and thus, parents.

— from a massive treasure trunk.

"It's organized, they don't rush you with Santa, and it really sets up the tone and ambiance for the kids," said Smith. "And, it really gives us a break."

Several other area malls and retailers are helping parents cope with the rigors of the holiday season in other ways.

This year, Oakland Mall in Troy introduced Kid's Clubhouse, a supervised activity center where parents can leave children, age three and up, while they shop.

Conveniently located in the J.C. Penney corridor, the center is staffed by certified teachers and computer instructors, and offers storytelling, arts and crafts projects and educational computer games for a cost of \$8 an hour per child. Better yet, parents who spend \$150 or more while shopping receive an hour free at the Kid's Clubhouse.

"In today's time-starved society, we're all multitasking," said Shelley Darmetko, Oakland Mall's marketing manager. "It's one less thing that parents have to do — find a baby-sitter — in order to come out and shop."

While Darmetko admits the mall is trying to attract shoppers who have children, she said the result is a more meaningful, and less commercial, shopping experience. "You do something that includes kids and something that the whole family can do together, and it becomes an outing, a special trip, something more unique," she said.

Another offering aimed at helping busy parents get through the holiday shopping season is a pager and two-way radio service being offered by a private company at Great Lakes Crossing in Auburn Hills.

Inside Fairlane Towne Center's holiday shopping relaxation room, activities keep children busy while parents put up their feet.

At Wonderland Mall in Livonia, there's a new tree house on which kids can play and a full-sized carousel they can ride.

And, for a second year, Hudson's at the Somerset Collection in Troy has put up the Little Door Store, a colorful, kids-sized castle where children

can shop for holiday gifts on their own.

Located on the third floor near the store's youth departments, the shop is filled with inexpensive gifts for family and friends and manned by shopping helpers.

The service not only gives parents a break and makes children a part of the holiday shopping experience, but also resurrects a tradition, said Michelle Shulman, Hudson's regional public relations director.

Many of the parents and grandparents who today come to the Little Door Store recall when they were kids and visited the children's holiday shop Hudson's had at their old, downtown Detroit store.

"It's not only the children that have warm memories but also the parents," said Shulman of Hudson's take on making the holidays warm and fuzzy in the world of retail. "This is how memories and traditions start ... and, hopefully, we're establishing some of those warm memories."



STAFF PHOTO BY DONNA McLAUGHLIN

On their own: Tommy Rayle, 5, of Birmingham, shops for holiday gifts for his friends at Hudson's Little Door Store.

HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS

Holiday Happenings will keep you informed about holiday shopping programs, services, events and boutiques during the busiest shopping time of the year. Send information to: Malls & Mainstreets, c/o Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, Mich. 48009. Fax: (248) 644-1314. Information must be received by 5 p.m. Monday for publication the following Sunday.

HOLIDAY MUSICAL PRESENTATION
The Livonia Civic Chorus comes to

Livonia Mall to make a holiday musical presentation at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 14, near Sears fountain. For additional information, call (734) 476-1160.

HOLIDAY PUPPET SHOW
Wonderland Mall in Livonia hosts Holiday Carnival of Stars, a presentation by the Heiken Puppets at noon, 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 18 and at 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 19, on the Food Court stage. For more information, call (734) 522-4100.

NORTHSTAR TROLLEY SERVICE
Northstar Express trolley service between Southfield's Northland Center and area businesses runs 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Dec. 13-16. Shoppers may access the trolley service, which includes a box lunch en route to the mall, from designated Southfield businesses. For details,

including pick-up and drop-off information, call (248) 443-5311.

SANTA BEAR APPEARANCE
The Hudson's Santa Bear visits with children in his millennium costume between Thursday, Dec. 16 and Sunday, Dec. 19 at the retailer's store at Summit Place Mall in Waterford. For details, call (248) 682-0123.

GALLOPING HOLIDAY HELPERS



Deputies and horses from the Oakland County Mounted Divisions assist with traffic direction and greet shoppers at Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi every Saturday and Sunday through the end of December. Shoppers may pet horses and visit with their uniformed riders.

SANTA VISITS GREAT LAKES CROSSING
Jolly old St. Nick visits with children at Great Lakes Crossing in Auburn Hills every day during mall hours through Dec. 24. Santa has set up shop near the Star Theatre. Photograph and portrait packages are available. For schedule and price information, call (248) 454-5000.

RELAXATION ROOM FOR SHOPPERS
Fairlane Towne Center in Dearborn has new service for frenzied holiday shoppers, the Relaxation Room. Furnished with couches and children's videos and activities, the room is located on the second level near Lord & Taylor. The Relaxation Room opens one hour after the center does and shuts down one hour prior to the mall's closing through Dec. 24. For more information, call (313) 593-1370.

Retail, style and special store events are listed in this calendar. Please send information to: Malls & Mainstreets, c/o Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 East Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. Fax: (248) 644-1314. Information must be received by 5 p.m. Monday for publication the following Sunday.
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12

STORYTELLING
Wonderland Mall in Livonia hosts Auntie Pooh's story time for children and families, 2-3 p.m., Food Court stage.
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14

MOVADO SHOW
Jacobson's in downtown Birmingham hosts a show of Movado pieces, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Fine Jewelry.
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15

BADGLEY MISCHKA SHOW
View Badgley Mischka's special order collection for spring at Saks Fifth Avenue, the Somerset Collection in Troy, through Dec. 16, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Designer Salon, second floor.
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16

ADDED ATTRACTIONS

ROBERT LEE MORRIS TRUNK SHOW
Neiman Marcus, the Somerset Collection in Troy, holds a trunk show of Robert Lee Morris' jewelry, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Designer Jewelry, first floor.
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17

REBECCA COLLINS TRUNK SHOW
View minerals and stones from around the world in the jewelry collection of Rebecca Collins at Neiman Marcus, the Somerset Collection in Troy, through Dec. 18, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Designer Jewelry, first floor.
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17

TOY SHOW
Vendors sell model trains, dolls, beanies, Pokémon merchandise and other collectibles at a toy and hobby show at the Novi Expo Center through Dec. 19. Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$3 for children under age 12. Also, toys will be collected for Toys for Tots. For additional information and a schedule, call

(734) 455-2110.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18

DESIGNER RESALE SHOW
Marian's Designer Resale, located in the Ramada Inn on Nine Mile Road in Southfield, presents a special collection of new and gently used designer apparel for women, including one-of-a-kind evening wear through Dec. 19, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. on Saturday and noon-5 p.m. on Sunday. Call (248) 351-9064.

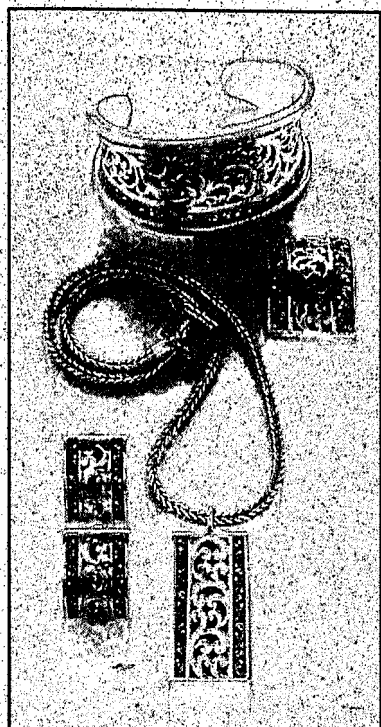
SWING DANCE LESSONS
Free swing dance lessons are given at Wonderland Mall in Livonia as part of Swing the Night Away, 5-9 p.m., Food Court.

CHOCOLATE TASTING
Saks Fifth Avenue, the Somerset Collection in Troy, hosts a Joseph Schmidt chocolate tasting, noon-4 p.m., Trim-A-Home department, first floor.

TASTE OF LAUREL PARK
Enjoy free food samples from Max & Erma's restaurant while you shop at Laurel Park Place in Livonia, noon-4 p.m., near Center Court.

a la carte

STUFF WE CRAVE



Curves and angles: Lois Hill's sterling silver jewelry is hand-carved, \$115-315 exclusively at Jacobson's stores.



Guy stuff: Faberge's limited edition "Cuckoo" egg ties contain 18 karat gold thread, \$260 at Neiman Marcus, the Somerset Collection in Troy.



Special scents: Bulgari Parfums has packaged fragrance collections in colorful boxes for the holidays, \$82-112 at area department stores.

WHERE CAN I FIND?

This interactive feature is dedicated to helping readers locate merchandise that's difficult to find through reader feedback. If you've seen or are looking for an item, call (248) 901-2555 and leave a message with your name and phone number. We publish readers' requests for merchandise twice. If you don't hear from us or see information about the item within a few weeks, we were unable to locate it. When we find an item owned by another reader, rather than for sale at a store, we will call you. But, please, be patient; we handle an overwhelming number of requests each week.

WHAT WE FOUND:

- A Timex wind-up watch for women can be purchased through the Vermont County Store catalog, (802) 362-8440 (page 46, item #23861, \$39.95).
 - Bayberry candles can be purchased at the Country Cupboard, 15970 Middlebelt Road in Livonia, (734) 425-1990, and at the Bon Ton Gift Shop, at Six Mile and Newburgh roads.
 - One set of Bookhouse books for Barbara.
 - Scissors can be sharpened at the Bon Ton Gift Shop at Six Mile and Newburgh roads or at any Joanne Fabric stores.
 - Cosmetic bonnets for dressing can be purchased at Levin's Beauty Supply at 15 Mile and Orchard Lake roads.
 - Lip Chic, the product recommended several weeks ago by Malls & Mainstreets beauty columnist Mary Anne Toccalino, can be purchased at Red The Salon in downtown Birmingham.
 - Arpege perfume is sold at Neiman Marcus, the Somerset Collection in Troy.
 - Sander's products can be purchased at Sears at the Macomb Mall.
 - Sander's hot fudge can be purchased at the following stores: ACO hardware stores, Nino Salvaggio on Rochester Road in Troy, Kroger on 13 Mile Road in Royal Oak, The Chocolate Shop at 12 Mile and Farmington roads, CVS (formerly Arbor Drugs) stores and F&M stores.
 - Sander's bumpy cake can be purchased at the Hard Ice Cream Café, 10930 Farmington Road, one block south of Plymouth, in Livonia.
- FIND & SEARCH NOTES**
- Linda is looking for a business that rents table space. She would like to have a garage sale but lives in an apartment.
 - We're doing our best to help readers locate items they want or need for Christmas. We hope we're helping and thank readers

for paying special attention to the column during the holiday season. For those readers we were unable to help, we wish you luck in the next few weeks in finding your items.

WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR:

- A 1999 Shaman calendar with paintings by Susan Seddon Boulet for Nancy.
- A store where men's garters for socks are sold for Barbara.
- A store where Germaine Montell lip moisturizer is sold for Maxine.
- Lyrics and music for the song "Parade of the Wooden Soldiers" for Eileen.
- A store where Prince Machiavelli's Golden Autumn cologne is sold for Kathy.
- A 1955 Detroit Cooley High School yearbook for Robert.
- A used Bone Shaker Penny Farthing, high-wheel bike for riding in parades for Tom.
- A store where tie-dyed children's shirts (sizes 8/10 in purple or blue) are sold for Pat, who lives in Troy.
- A fiesta ware sugar bowl lid in cobalt blue and a Mrs. Beasley Doll for Julie.
- Hudson's 1999 millennium Santa Bears for three readers, Mary, Norma and Barbara. Hudson's has sold out.
- Family Circus kids figurines, ornaments, plates and other pieces for Marzie.
- A store where Maybelline cake mascara with a brush (in a red plastic case) is sold for Pat.
- A Mrs. Beasley doll for Linda.
- A commemorative plate for the Green Mead Church Historical Park at Eight Mile and Newburgh roads for Angela.
- A store that sells Clinique Color Rub liquid rouge in "Pink Bronze" for Mattie.
- A store where Coty 24-hour lipstick in "Pure Watermelon" is available for Doris.
- A video tape of the film "Heidi with Shirley Temple" for Virginia.
- "Binky the Clown," which was sold in the 50s and '60s by the Redford Suburban League, for Pat.
- A video tape of the film "Mr. Krueger's Christmas," which starred Jimmy Stewart and showed on television in the 80s for Connie.
- The '60s children's album "Songs for a Rainy Day" with Rosemary Clooney for Denise.
- The album "Happy Birthday Jesus" by Mike Douglas for Nancy.

- A store where a cookie press can be purchased.

- A business or person who does ribbonery, which is like embroidery, for Pamela.

- Pope Gosser china dishes (#52) in the pattern "Silver Dawn" from the '50s for Donna.

- Hudson's 1994 Santa Bears for two readers, Christie and Barbara.

- A store where a Big Bend wind-up clock with two bells on the top can be purchased for Darlene.

- A store or a catalog from which to purchase tan CoCo door mats (24-by-36-inch) for Sue. The Vermont Country Store catalog formerly sold them.

- A yogurt maker with 6/8-ounce containers for Mary.

- A silver "Nerolizer" toy from the movie "Men in Black," which had been available at Burger King restaurants for Teresa.

- John Willard Bloody Mary seasoning and a 18-by-56-inch, non-standard, ironing board cover for Marlene.

- A place-setting of Minton china in the pattern "Saturn" in black for Allison.

- Milton Bradley's 1950s game "Pirate and Traveler" for Karen.

- A recipe book with blank pages and index tabs for Janice.

- A store where Crown Ducal Ironstone pottery by AG Richardson from Staffordshire, England may be purchased for Mary Jane. LB King in the Fisher Building formerly carried the pottery.

- White Christmas china, which was sold through the Spiegel catalog, for Karen.

- A store or catalog that sells Cheetah nylon windbreakers for Candy.

- A store that sells 12-by-12-inch gray or brown carpet tiles with a glue or self-adhesive backing for William and Joanne.

- A 1949 Barbours Hall Military School yearbook (school located in Nazareth, Mich.) for Margaret.

- Two of each of the 1998 Barbie ornaments for Mary.

- A store where Faberge's Straw Hat perfume is sold for Helen.

- A store where a photo album for new, larger-sized pictures can be bought for Mary.

- A store where a Regal bathroom rug (55-60 inches in length and 28-32 inches in width) can be bought for Mimi.

- A store where furniture decals are sold for Grace.

- A 1960s doll called "Little Miss No Name" (she wears a burlesque dress) for Sue.

- A 1960 Detroit Holy Redeemer High School yearbook and Norell #19 lipstick for Gary.

- A business or company that repairs freezers for Ada.

- Land Before Time dinosaurs for Travis and Trevor.

- A 1994-95 Christopher Radko Third Day of Christmas ornament for Stacey.

- A Rainbow Brite doll for Sally.

- Sunshine Biscuit's iced gingerbread-men cookies for Diane.

- Three hand rails for concrete steps for Kim.

- A store where a Hair Ball with straight or curly hair in blue, orange, yellow, and purple is sold for Laura. The item is like a Kosh Ball.

- The Santa bear with bag pipes that was sold this year at Jacobson's, for Margaret.

- The Little Women doll Amy for Evelyn.

- A rhubarb recipe from a Tupperware recipe book that was sold 15 years ago.

- An electric potato peeler for Janet.

- Milton Bradley's "Pizza Game" for Jeanine.

- Two front parts for a Herman Castle for Marge.

- A business or person who will sew outfits for a Christmas Baby Jesus for Wanda, of Westland.

- The Faithful Friends doll Ellie for Jo Anne.

- A half-slip undergarment to wear beneath culottes for Cecelia.

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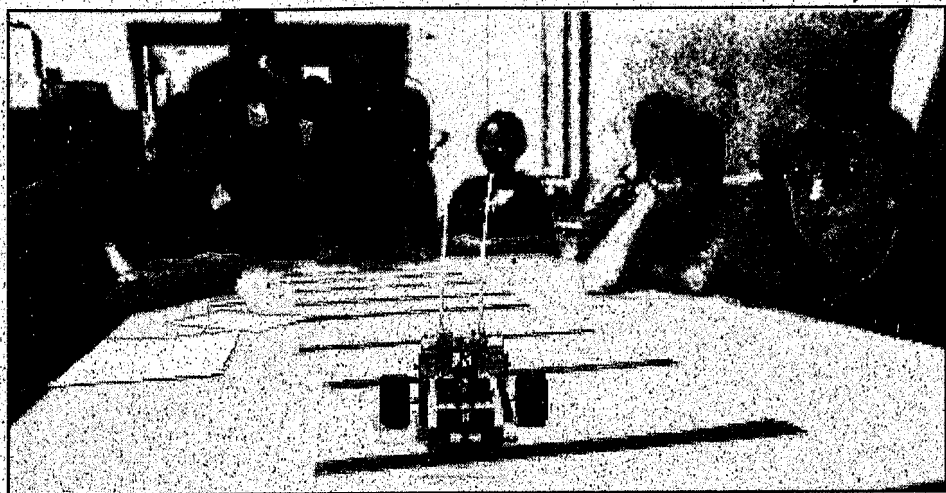
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Geared up: Youngsters at Anderson Middle School test their robot for the Lego competitions.

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Lost in space

Lego poses robotics challenge for Oakland students

BY KEN VAN STEENKISTE
STAFF WRITER

As an anxious earth awaited news about the fate of NASA's Mars Polar Lander, some intrepid explorers closer to home were learning lessons by planning fictional space missions.

More than 300 middle school students from Oakland County recently took command of an imagined journey into space while experimenting with high-tech robotics.

The kids were part of the FIRST Lego League competition, a national program which pits teams of middle schoolers against each other in high-tech competition. After months of building robots with parts supplied by FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science), the kids met at the University of Detroit Mercy to test their inventions on Dec. 4.

For the competition, the teams of 8 to 12 students are given an imaginary scenario: Two astronauts are stranded in a oxygen-deprived space ship that is beyond the aid of earth-bound rescue.

For the details of the scenario, the kids fill in the blanks ... How did the astronaut's ship get stranded in space?

Tying up the loose ends in an imaginary but feasible way is up to the competitors and worth points in the final judging.

The kids are also given the tools to help the ill-fated space explorers: a robot which they must construct and program with instructions to deliver the astronauts canisters of oxygen.

"The kids are given a mission to create a latch-release device that will release the astronauts from a chamber and deliver canisters of oxygen," explained Christine May, a mathematics teacher at Berkley High School who oversees a FIRST team of robot builders.

Of course, the robots aren't life size, and the astronauts aren't really stranded in space. But, much like NASA and its failing Mars probe, the kids found out that sometimes the best way to learn something is by doing it, despite the results.

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Take, for example, Jeffrey Ferman and his team of robot builders. Ferman, an eighth grader at the Berkley district's Norup Middle School in Oak Park, spent several months helping to put together different robot models. Finally, the group struck upon a design they believed would get the job done. "We built three different ones. First we built a basic model, then we made it better but we checked the rules (of the competition) and found out it wasn't right and we had to build a third one," Ferman explained.

Ferman said the competition was a great way to meet other kids in the area from his school district.

"There were kids from high school on our team that helped us and made sure we were doing everything right. We met a lot of people from other middle schools, it was neat because we're going to be going to high school with them next year," he said.

Jay Pliskaw, another Norup Middle School student, said the benefits of FIRST far outweighed the extra work it requires.

"Our team may not have ranked the highest in the end but it was a lot of fun and we learned a lot," Pliskaw said. "Our program for the robot didn't work out because the batteries were running low."

Ferman and Pliskaw's group came up with a perilous scenario for their space rescue: a faulty engine, firing too long, had sent a spacecraft and its crew hurtling toward an asteroid field near Mars.

Ban on principals' unions is limited to Detroit schools only

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Principals and supervisory personnel in local school districts dodged a legislative bullet Wednesday. They'll retain the right to form unions and engage in collective bargaining ... but not those in the City of Detroit.

Republican lawmakers voted to narrow a proposed ban on unionization of school district administrators to the City of Detroit only.

That drew a furious response from Democrats.

"This bill is both racist and union busting, and the people of this state will not forget," Rep. Lynne Martinez (D-Lansing) said in anger during the debate on the House floor.

"There is no excuse for this political body to pass bill after bill after bill damaging the people of one city in the state, a city about which you know nothing and wish to have no responsibility."

Verbiage from Detroit Democrats was even harsher.

Rep. Irma Clark (D-Detroit) called the proposal "disgusting" and labeled the House of Representatives a "prostitution ring" for considering it.

"Maybe we should pass some legislation for the rest of the state," said Rep. Bob Brown (D-Dearborn Heights).

Republicans bristled at the charge of racism. Sen. Leon Stille (R-Spring Lake) said he had listened to the House debate and found it "embarrassing."

"This is about improving education in the City of Detroit," Rep. Gene DeRossett (R-Manchester) said. "If we were racist, why would we care?"

As initially proposed, Senate Bill 663, sponsored by Sen. Loren Bennett (R-Canton) would have banned unions for all school principals and supervisors across the state. He said he had been spurred to introduce the bill by last fall's teacher strike in Detroit. Some principals, he said, joined teachers on the picket lines.

"When the bill left this chamber, it was good public policy,"

Bennett said. "... But the House pared it down to a number of distressed schools districts. This amendment further narrows it down to just the City of Detroit."

"Let's deal," Stille argued, "with only the one city where it is a problem."

On the Detroit-only version of the bill, Senators voted 22-15 to approve.

Here's how area senators voted: Yes — Sens. Bill Bullard (R-Highland), Mat Dunaskiss (R-Lake Orion)

and Shirley Johnson (R-Royal Oak).

No — Sens. John D. Cherry Jr. (D-Clio) and Gary Peters (D-Bloomfield).

In the House, Representatives voted 66-53 for the Detroit-only revision.

Here's how area representatives voted:

Yes — Andrew Raczowski (R-Farmington Hills), Mike Bishop (R-Rochester), Patricia Godchaux (R-Birmingham), Bob Gosselin (R-Troy), Ruth Johnson (R-Holly), John Pappageorge (R-Troy) and Marc Shulman (R-West Bloomfield).

No — Nancy Quarles (D-Southfield).



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Oakland man picked for state board

Birmingham resident Ralph E. Deeds Jr. has been appointed by Gov. John Engler to the Michigan Employment Security Board which hears and decides appeals on a variety of matters pertaining to unemployment compensation.

Deeds, a retiree, has extensive experience in unemployment matters. He previously served as a special assistant to the chairman of the National Labor Relations Board, a post to which he was appointed by President Bill Clinton.

Deeds replaces Kay Hansen of Detroit. His term expires Dec. 31, 2003.

Reappointed by the governor to the commission was Neal A. Young of Grand Rapids.

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2 UNIQUE



KELLI LEWTON

Be of good cheer with festive holiday sips

Temperatures are dropping, festive outdoor lights are being hung, trees are twinkling and everyone is getting into the holiday spirit.

As a child, I knew Christmas was near when my favorite movie, "It's a Wonderful Life" was being featured on TV, and there was eggnog in our refrigerator. I still refer to eggnog as Christmas milk, and cherish the memory of sipping this thick, lightly fragrant, drink.

Most of our holiday food and drink traditions have come from around the world. The are rich in flavor, taste and often even richer in their history.

Holiday libations are the pre- and post celebration of the event itself. As a holiday buffet brings people together, its counterpart, the celebratory communal bowl, mug or glass of festive liquid spirits, is warming the way to holiday cheer.

Special gatherings brimming with holiday cheer, and the splendor of all that is familiar would seem to be met by a warm liquid libation this season.

Eggnog is an essential component of an American yuletide feast. Although people have been sipping eggnog for two centuries, the etymology of the word itself extends back even further.

The word "nog" is an old English term for strong beer or ale. Some folklorists believe the word eggnog was derived from "noggin," a small birch cup used to serve tavern patrons versus a large mug given to those who sat by the fire.

Over time eggnog developed into a potent egg- and spirit-based beverage with other added ingredients such as cream, sugar and spices, especially nutmeg.

In England people whisked red wine into their nog. In Colonial America, people added rum, brandy or whiskey. Although eggnog's birth was as an alcohol-based beverage many people drink alcohol-free varieties today.

A toast

"Hail Hail, Wassail" — was the toast the farmers would chant as they grabbed their weapons and headed to their apple orchard in Devonshire, England on Jan. 7. The farmers would circle the oldest apple tree in their orchard and sing songs or chant to praise the tree for its fruit.

Drinking cider and a feast of roast beef accompanied their praise to the orchards. "Ves heill," is Norse for "be in good health." It is an old toast as well as the origin of the word. Wassail is a warm winter drink consisting of ale or sweetened wine steeped with spices and apples, and even garnished with small, roasted apples.

French traditions

The French never to be forgotten in the culinary world, are famous for serving holiday wine as an aperitif. It is prepared by simply infusing red wine with orange and lemon peel, vanilla extract, and cloves. After a two-week rest in a dark place, Framboise berry liqueur or brandy is added to the wine mixture.

Without a doubt the French are masters at making champagne, which is always a holiday favorite. Champagne is very versatile, and wonderful with a splash of most citrus juices and sweeter liqueurs. Perhaps a little Chambord and Champagne (Kier Royal) would get the sugar plum fairies dancing at your next holiday brunch.

Non-alcoholic drinks

Don't forget to serve non-alcoholic drinks at your party. Spices often play an important role in many of our warm winter drinks. Good quality mulling spices are a must for any

Please see 2 UNIQUE, D2

LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

- Holiday roasts
- Focus on Wine

A STRESS-FREE HOLIDAY

It's the best gift to give yourself



Celebrate The Millennium

In many countries, windows and doors are opened at midnight, and homeowners bang pots and pans together to chase away the evil spirits.

In Spain, just before midnight, everyone is offered a handful of 12 grapes. Make a wish. As the clock strikes midnight everyone eats their grapes, one by one as the 12 bells toll. If you can do it your wish will come true.

Bishop's wine, a hot spiced beverage, is served in Holland on St. Nick's Eve and New Year's Eve. (See recipe inside.)

In Latin countries party hostesses invite certain special guests to put on a gift of a pair of red briefs or panties. It promises to bring a year of passion to the wearer. A rum-based punch, cafe de olla, tamales and bunuelos will probably be on the menu.

In South America, revelers trek around the house or pool carrying their suitcases. It promises you'll take plenty of trips throughout the year.

Brazilians may enjoy feijoada, their national dish. It's made with a variety of meats, black beans, kale, rice and orange slices. To prepare a simple version to suit U.S. tastes, serve smoked pork chops and chunks of sausage with black beans, white rice, sautéed kale and orange slices. You can find a good selection of feijoada recipes online at <http://s.o.a.r.Berkeley.EDU/recipes/ethnic/brazil/>

Have a kids' party

Invite cousins, neighbor kids or your kid's friends. Their parents will think you are wonderful because they won't have to find a sitter. Serve punch, shrimp, meatballs and little sandwiches. Play party music that all ages enjoy, like the Hokey Pokey and the chicken song. Set out games and a jigsaw puzzle and wrap it all up with a movie. Bang those pots and pans at midnight and the kids will remember this night forever. And so will their parents.

Form a spirit circle

At midnight invite everyone to go

Please see CELEBRATE, D2

BY PEGGY MARTINELLI-EVERTS
SPECIAL WRITER

The holidays come but once a year ... and thank goodness for that. Added to our usual work schedules, deadlines, and children's activities is gift shopping, wrapping, baking and entertaining out-of-town guests.

It can turn December into a "bah humbug" kind of month.

That said, it is also the time we receive greetings from so many old friends, take some time to remember the less fortunate, party with those we usually work with, and pause to remember what it feels like to be a child.

Take some time to reflect on your life. Do you feel better today than you did at the beginning of the year? Are you ready to give yourself a holiday present? The best thing you can do for yourself and for your family is to stay healthy.

One important way to stay healthy is to eat healthy. Don't let holiday parties sabotage your efforts. Remember, the three most important points about healthy eating (and perhaps life in general) are balance, variety and moderation.

■ Balance: As the rhythm of the holiday season cranks up, it is important to eat smaller, more frequent meals to keep your energy up. This is surprisingly easy to adapt to during the holiday season since social events tend to be opportunities for "grazing," or eating a little here, a little there. Try to avoid heavy, fatty meals because they can make you feel sluggish. Avoid skipping meals or you'll get too hungry and overeat with abandon later on. Drink plenty of water. It is the best gift for healthy kidneys. Help yourself to holiday treats, but be reasonable about portion sizes and the number of servings you take. (See sidebar on serving sizes - Size Savvy.)

■ Variety: Make time for exercise and activity. It can come in many forms. Activity and movement help relieve stress and will make you feel better. The holidays are a perfect time to try something new. Try different foods. See the recipe for caviar mousse inside; it's a wonderful dish for a special occasion.

■ Moderation: I believe dieting doesn't work. Dieting adds stress and guilt. Focus on habits that contribute to good health. Food and celebrations can be partners. Try to slow down your eating. This allows your body a chance to feel full but not overstuffed.

Listen to your body's internal cues. When you are doing your holiday cooking and baking, substitute lower-fat ingredients for high-fat ones whenever possible. Select recipes that contain whole grains, fruits and vegetables such as pumpkin pie, banana bread, oatmeal cookies, blueberry muffins and carrot cake.

It is easy to get caught up in the frenzy of the season. We shop too much, party too hard and eat without restraint or forget to eat at all. Try to stop and cherish the past, give yourself the gift of the present and look forward to the future.

Here are some ideas.

■ Cherish the past: Fill your house with the scent of grandma's sugar and spice cookies and grandfather's spiced wine.

■ Give yourself a gift: Slow down. When you are preparing food, cook in double batches. You can share with a friend or freeze the remainder for a busy day.

■ Look forward to the future: Sign up for a yoga class or calligraphy or something else you've been longing to learn. Find a walking partner. Plan a vacation. Buy a calendar and fill it with all the year's birthdays.

Remember, the best present is the gift of good health. Slow down, enjoy the holidays and have a wonderful, happy New Year!

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Holiday Gift Suggestions

Here are some gift ideas that promote wellness:

- Healthy cookbook
- Flavored vinegars
- Pasta bowls
- Gourmet coffee
- Flavored popcorn
- Air popper and unpopped popcorn
- Vegetable steamer
- Olive oil spray bottle
- Gravy skimmer
- Garlic press
- Pot and seeds for an herbal garden
- Fruit basket
- Colorful or fun salt and pepper shakers
- Homemade trail mix with nuts, dried fruits, seeds and other ingredients
- Exercise gear such as socks, a helmet, cassette tapes with up-beat music
- Subscription to a health-oriented magazine

Size Savvy

We have become quite used to seeing enormous servings of foods. Even so-called healthy foods can pack in a lot of extra calories if the serving size is large. Here is a general guide to what is considered a "serving" on the Food Guide Pyramid.

- 1/2 cup cooked pasta = normal ice cream scoop
- 1/2 cup cooked rice or beans = a tennis ball
- 1 cup raw leafy vegetables = your fist
- 1/2 cup cooked vegetable or fruit = a tennis ball
- 1 medium apple = a tennis ball
- 3 ounces of cooked meat = a deck of cards
- 4 ounces of cooked meat = a cassette tape
- 2 tablespoons of peanut butter = a Ping-Pong ball
- 1 1/2 ounces of cheese = a pair of dominos
- 1 teaspoon of margarine = the tip of your thumb (from the knuckle up)
- 1 ounce of potato chips = 2 palm-fulls

Turkey Alfredo is a tasty, healthy dish

MAIN DISH MIRACLE



MURIEL WAGNER

One of the goals of my nutrition counseling is to help patients learn to modify their favorite recipes so that they can continue "Eating Younger" and enjoy what they're eating.

You may remember an earlier recipe I shared with you for an Eating Younger Fettuccine Alfredo. This one, however, is slightly different and has several additional virtues.

You can stock up and have the Fet-

tuccine Alfredo ingredients readily available on your pantry shelf and in the freezer. Use fresh or frozen veggies. You might try canned varieties. They cut prep time and are similar in nutritional value to fresh cooked or frozen. If carrots and broccoli aren't popular at your house, substitute asparagus, green beans or whole kernel corn.

The turkey might be some of your frozen stash from the Thanksgiving bird. Cooked and skinned chicken breast, ham, cooked shrimp or rinsed tuna fish are other stand-ins. The recipe has enough flavor to make it an interesting all-veggie option.

Do be sure to use freshly grated imported Parmesan or Romano cheese. Don't buy cheese that's already grated. It doesn't provide the necessary flavor spark to create the "Italian" aura.

As you probably know, the fiber can be increased by adding vegetables. But try substituting Chinese Lo Mein noodles for the pasta. There

are 6 grams of fiber in a half cup of Lo Mein noodles in contrast to only 1 1/2 to 2 grams in the same amount of pasta. Besides, I prefer the chewiness of the Chinese noodle. You can find them in the Oriental food section of most markets.

This is one of those recipes that takes longer to eat than it does to make. When your day isn't long enough for all you need to do, this is a recipe you can turn to for smart eating. You can probably have it ready to eat faster than you can "order in!" Happy healthy holiday eating.

Look for Main Dish Miracle on the second Sunday of the month in Taste. Muriel G. Wagner is a registered dietitian and nutrition therapist with an office in Southfield. She publishes "Eating Younger," a quarterly newsletter with recipes and nutrition tips. To subscribe, send a check for \$13.50 to "Eating Younger," P.O. Box 69021, Pleasant Ridge, MI 48069.

TURKEY-VEGETABLE ALFREDO

- 1 (11.5 oz.) can "Healthy" Cream of Chicken Soup
- 1 (10.5 oz.) can "Healthy" Cream of Mushroom Soup
- 1/2 cup Evaporated Skim Milk
- 1 1/2 cups cooked turkey breast, skinned and cut into strips
- 1 (8-1/4 oz.) can sliced carrots, drained
- 1 cup cooked broccoli flowerets
- 1 (4 oz.) jar whole mushrooms, drained
- 4 tablespoons freshly grated Parmesan Cheese
- 6 ounces cooked pasta (your choice) or Chinese Lo Mein Noodles

Mix undiluted soups with milk in saucepan until smooth. Simmer (low heat) until serving temperature, stirring constantly. Add vegetables and cheese, stirring gently. Serve over hot cooked pasta or noodles. Sprinkle with additional cheese, if desired. Serves 4.

■ Food values per serving: calories, 360; fat, 6.5 g; saturated fat, 2.5 g; sodium, 830 mg; cholesterol, 60 mg. ■ Food exchange: 3 1/2 lean meat, 2 starches, 1 vegetable.

Toast the holidays with delicious sippers

See related 2 Unique column on Taste front. Recipes compliments of Chef Kelli Lewton, 2 Unique.

WASSAIL

10 small apples
10 teaspoons brown sugar
2 bottles dry sherry or dry Madeira
1/2 teaspoon grated nutmeg
1 teaspoon ground ginger
3 cloves
3 allspice berries
1-inch stick cinnamon
2 cups superfine sugar
3/4 cup water
6 eggs, separated
1 cup brandy

Core the apples and fill each with a teaspoon of brown sugar. Place in a baking pan and cover the bottom with 1/8-inch of water. Bake in a 350°F degree oven for 30 minutes or until tender.

Combine the sherry or Madeira, nutmeg, ginger, cloves, allspice berries, cinnamon, sugar and water in a large, heavy saucepan and heat without letting the mixture come to a boil. Leave on very

low heat. Beat the egg yolks until light and lemon-colored. Beat the whites until stiff and fold them into the yolks. Strain the wine mixture and add gradually to the eggs, stirring constantly. Add the brandy. Pour into a metal punch bowl, float the apples on top and serve in 8-ounce mugs. Makes about 10 servings.

ENCHANTED NOG

3 cups whole milk
1 cup heavy cream
8 tablespoons sugar
1 cup Dark rum
1 cup heavy cream (whipped until soft peaks form)
6 egg yolks
1 star anise
1 cinnamon stick

Bring 2 cups (out of 3) milk and spices to a boil in medium sauce pan.

Mix egg yolks and sugar in bowl and whisk.

Steam warm milk and whisk into egg-sugar mixture, whisking constantly.

Pour back into sauce pan, heat

on low an additional 2-3 minutes.

Remove from heat and stir in remaining milk and cream. Chill down quickly in ice bath in an open vessel in fridge.

Add rum and fold in whip cream.

Pour in glass, garnish with sprinkle of nutmeg.

To make drink non-alcoholic, replace rum with 2 teaspoons of rum extract.

BUTTERY RUM

4 oz Dark Rum
Twist lemon and orange peel
1 cinnamon stick
3 cloves
1 star anise
16 ounces cider
1 1/2 tablespoons whole sweet butter
Nutmeg

Warm cider with spices, simmer for 5 minutes. Add rum, strain spices, add whole butter. Divide into four 4 ounce mugs. (Warm mugs with hot water). Garnish with sprinkle of nutmeg.

MULLED WINE

16 ounces claret or other dry red wine
Dash Angostura bitters
4 cloves
1 cinnamon stick
Twist lemon peel
1 teaspoon superfine sugar
Pinch allspice

Combine all ingredients in a small, heavy saucepan and heat, but do not allow to boil. Strain into two 8 ounce mugs.

SCANDINAVIAN YULETIDE DRINK

There are a number of variations of this traditional Scandinavian Yuletide drink. Dry red wine, muscatel and sweet vermouth, with aquavit in place of the brandy, may be used. In another version, 2 bottles of dry red wine, preferably Bordeaux, are used with the quantity of aquavit increased to a whole bottle, which is poured over the flaming sugar.

GLOGG

1 bottle tawny port

1 bottle Madeira
1 bottle medium dry sherry
1/2 bottle dry red wine
15 cloves
15 cardamom seeds
1 stick cinnamon
1/2 pound sugar cubes
1/2 cup brandy
1 cup raisins
3/4 cup blanched almonds

Combine all ingredients except the sugar, brandy, raisins and nuts in a heavy saucepan and heat slowly. When the wine mixture is hot, place a rack on top of the saucepan so that it covers half of it.

Arrange the sugar cubes on the rack, warm the brandy, pour it over the sugar and set it aflame. Ladle the wine mixture over the flaming sugar until sugar is dissolved. Serve in 8-ounce mugs, garnished with the almonds and raisins. Makes about 10 servings.

CELEBRATION CIDER

1/2 gallon apple cider
2 cinnamon sticks
1 teaspoon nutmeg

1 teaspoon ginger
1/2 teaspoon ground cardamom
6 cloves

Place spices in a bundled cheese cloth or in a tea ball strainer. Put cider in water reservoir of coffee maker.

Put ball or cheese cloth bundle in coffee carafe, then brew.

GARNISHES FOR HOLIDAY DRINKS

Whole cinnamon sticks
Fresh whipped cream
Grated cinnamon and nutmeg
Frozen Grapes
Rim glasses with colored sugars

A dollop of ice cream in a hot cocoa or coffee
Fresh raspberries or strawberries

Put fresh cranberries into ice cube trays, add water, freeze.

Coffee cordials such as Irish Cream, Frangelico, Chambord, Kahlua

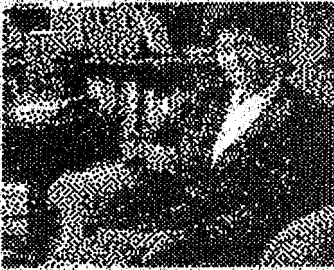
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outside with a lit candle. Within a circle of all guests the host or hostess says a special prayer for their friends and family, making special mention of the newest babes and the dearly departed.

Afterward, everyone in the circle adds a brief comment as they blow out their candle and toss it in a can.

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New Year's Day breakfast

Be an optimist. Have a breakfast or brunch on New Year's Day morning.

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This unrefined cone of brown sugar is available at specialty stores or a Latino grocery store. See recipes on Page B3

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respectable cider as well as to add spirit to a variety of juice punches.

Virgin strawberry margaritas or daiquiris served in a festive glass frosted with sugar lend spirit and color to your holiday drink selection. White grape juice and Sprite, is another popular non-alcoholic drink.

Serve coffee or cocoa with steamed milk, flavored syrup, chocolate shavings, vanilla or almond extract, or a peppermint stick. Add eggnog to coffee, top with a whip cream hat, and a sprinkle of nutmeg for a special holiday drink.

The new popular warming

drink seems to be chai tea with soy, milk or cream.

"Skol," "L'Chaim," "salute," "prosit" or "cheers!"

Wishing you and your families a safe and happy holiday season and wishes for a bright millennium.

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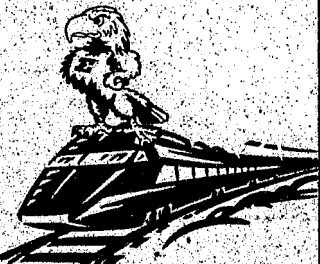
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See related holiday presents story on Taste front.

CAVIAR MOUSSE

- Approximately 8 servings
- 1 tablespoon unflavored gelatin
 - 2 tablespoons cold-water
 - 1/2 cup boiling water
 - 1 tablespoon lemon juice
 - 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
 - 2 tablespoons mayonnaise
 - 1 pint fat-free sour cream
 - 1 pinch dry mustard
 - 4 1/2 ounces caviar

Soak gelatin in cold water until soft. Add boiling water; stir until dissolved. Add lemon juice and Worcestershire sauce. In another bowl combine mayonnaise and sour cream. Pour liquid mixture into this. Add dry mustard and caviar.

Mix gently but thoroughly and pour into a 3 or 4 cup mold.

Chill 6 hours. Unmold by dipping the mold in hot water and shaking the contents loose onto a serving plate. Decorate and serve as an hors d'oeuvre or mold in individual molds and serve as a first course. You may wish to "frost" with additional caviar. Serve on toast points, melba rounds or crackers.

Nutrition information per serving: Calories 57, protein 2 grams, fat 3 grams, sodium 164 mg, carbohydrates less than 1 gram, percent of calories from fat: 46.5

BISHOP'S WINE

- 1 bottle red table wine
- 1/2 bottle water (use wine bottle to measure)
- 1 orange, sliced
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 1 cinnamon stick
- 1/8 teaspoon nutmeg
- 1/8 teaspoon dried rosemary
- 1 bay leaf
- 30 cloves
- Sugar to taste

Let everything simmer, except sugar, without boiling for a few hours in a covered pot. Add sugar according to taste, pass through a sieve. Place a silver spoon in each wine glass and pour hot into wine glasses. The spoon prevents heat breakage.

CAFE DE OLLA

MEXICAN SPICED COFFEE

- 1 cup water
- 3 Tablespoons dark roasted coffee, coarsely ground
- 1 stick cinnamon

Piloncillo (unrefined dark brown sugar) to taste

In an earthenware pot, bring water to a boil. Add the coffee, cinnamon, and unrefined dark brown sugar. Bring to a boil twice, then strain and serve.

Serves one.

Cook's note: To adapt this recipe to a coffeemaker, add piloncillo and cinnamon sticks to the pot. Prepare coffee according to instructions for the pot, although it should be stronger than regular coffee. This is typically served in little red clay cups.

Recipes compliments of A recipe of HDS Services

HOLIDAY HELPERS

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Toll-free telephone services and Web sites are available to help answer cooking queries during holiday preparation times. Here are some of them.

■ U.S. Department of Agriculture Meat and Poultry Hotline: (800) 535-4555. Personal assistance with all meat and poultry preparation and cooking questions, year-round Monday to Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. EST; Nov. 25, Thanksgiving Day 8 a.m.-2 p.m. EST. Automated service available 24 hours a day.

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■ Ocean Spray consumer helpline (800) 662-3263. Year-round, weekdays (except Christmas Day, New Year's Day and

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Year-round Web site: www.reynoldskitchens.com.

Low-fat Tiramisu

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Everyone looks forward to dessert, especially during the holidays.

But that appealing sweet course can often be loaded with fat and calories, so it is a nice surprise to note that this version of the popular Tiramisu is not only luscious but light in fat, only 8 grams a serving.

Tiramisu is the Italian for "pick me up." This creamy mélange of ladyfingers and soft cheeses is flavored with coffee and chocolate. It will give a nice lift to the end of a festive meal, after the rich and filling main-course dishes.

TIRAMISU

- 12 ladyfinger biscuits
- 1/4 cup brewed decaffeinated espresso or strong coffee, cooled
- 1/2 cup warm (105 F to 115 F) water
- 2 tablespoons plus 2 teaspoons powdered egg whites
- 1 and 1/3 cups nonfat ricotta cheese
- 1/3 cup fat-free egg substitute

- 1/2 cup mascarpone cheese
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 2 teaspoons unsweetened cocoa powder

Dip each biscuit into the espresso; place in a single layer on bottom and around sides of a glass or ceramic baking dish, about 8 inches square or similar capacity.

Combine the water and powdered egg whites in a large stainless steel bowl, stirring gently until the powder dissolves, 3 to 4 minutes. With an electric mixer, beat at medium-high speed until stiff peaks form, 5 to 7 minutes.

In another large bowl, beat together the ricotta, egg substitute, mascarpone and sugar. Stir in about one-third of the beaten egg whites, then gently fold in the remainder with a rubber spatula. Pour over the ladyfingers. Cover and refrigerate 6 to 8 hours. Sprinkle with the cocoa just before serving.

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CONVERSATIONS



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Just two guys, and a refreshing view of a wacky world

The phone rings incessantly at Video Design in Troy. Perhaps it's a call regarding business. Who really knows for sure?

Owner Rick Yarmy sits in the conference room with a contemplative expression. He wonders if anyone will pick it up.

Meanwhile, writer-actor-producer Tom Daldin, sitting across from Yarmy, has an immediate response. On cue, he picks up the entire phone unit on the conference-room table and places it in the fireplace.

"There," he said, rubbing his hands together.

Solutions, for Daldin of Birmingham, are everywhere.

A guy named "Bob"

When long-time friends Yarmy of Royal Oak and Daldin are together, it's more than a meeting of the minds.

It's like hanging out with a contemporary cut-up version of Sheriff Andy Taylor and Deputy Barney Fife.

And clearly, these guys are deeply serious about having fun.

In August of 1998, the two created "Bob's Job," a program that aired on WTVS for children, ages 7-11. Daldin's on-camera "Bob" is part Pee Wee Herman, part Darren Stevens (yes, of "Bewitched" fame). "Bob" is wacky, unpredictable and utterly lovable. Much like



STAFF PHOTO BY ELIZABETH CARNEGIE

At work: Rick Yarmy (left), and Tom Daldin are co-creators of the TV show, "Bob's Job."

Daldin, who proudly recalled that he was the "class clown" along with a mate by the name of Tim Dick (a.k.a. Tim Allen) at Seaboard High School, class of '71.

Daldin was the drummer in the "Dick the Bruiser Band," and is the former radio promo exec who came up the idea of "dropping your boss from an airplane" when he was at WCSX-FM.

Turned up a notch

Wearing a "silly businessman suit" and an unperturbed expression, Bob is on a tour guide in a "day in the life" motif.

The first show featured the job of an airline pilot. Show number two, which airs at the end of December, is a day with a home builder. They've got ideas for another two dozen shows.

Obviously, they're not driven by research or anything remotely programmatic.

"We just loved the name 'Bob,'" said Yarmy. "It's spelled the same front and backward."

No laugh track. No focus groups to test their idea. Just gut instincts and plenty of sweat equity.

Daldin didn't exactly take a method-acting approach to researching his character. "I just turned 'me' up a few notches."

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Dawn of a Cultural Boom?

Unprecedented findings could be catalyst for growth, challenge to preconceptions

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It's not easy being from metro Detroit. Anyone who's traveled around the country and has been asked, "Where're you from?" knows the prejudices and misperceptions about the metro area.

But after years of getting beat up in the national press and trying to overcome self-doubts about the cultural offerings of one of the most ethnically diverse regions in the country, it may be time to put the inferiority complex to rest.

There's a grassroots movement building momentum to push for a broader public role for the arts.

And now, they've got their much-needed empirical ammunition.

Tool for art advocates

An unprecedented in-depth analysis of audiences for cultural activities in the seven-county southeastern Michigan region has revealed that about 2.8 million people or 57.6 percent of households attend or participate in the arts. That figure is considerably higher than the national average, which stands around 49 percent, according to the National Endowment for the Arts.

Oakland County residents, according to the report, are significant supporters at cultural events in Wayne and other counties. Nearly one-third of Oakland County households participate in the arts, the highest level among the seven counties.

The report, entitled "Southeastern Michigan Geodemographic and Database Analysis," was released Monday by Southfield-based ArtServe Michigan, a

statewide advocacy and networking agency for artists and arts groups.

In less than a week, the 400-page analysis conducted by Artmarket Consulting of Bozeman, Mont. was received as the ultimate "told-you-so" tool for arts advocates.

"We've been looked at as a blue-collar town, as not being sophisticated enough to appreciate the arts," said Barbara Kratchman, executive director of ArtServe.

"For years, we've been looking for ways to make a convincing argument that the cultural industry is important to our way of life, and now we have it. A thriving culture is good economics."

The exhaustive analysis of the audiences of 59 nonprofit regional arts organizations examines types of participation, and presents an empirical breakdown of the demographic segments who attend cultural events, including concerts, plays, exhibits at arts and historical museums and art associations. Major commercial entertainment venues such as the Palace, Pine Knob, the Fox and Fisher theaters were not included in the report.

"A study like this will make every one more self-sufficient and independent," said Kratchman. "It also provides information about why arts organizations should collaborate. So many of them share audiences."

The study was funded by a \$75,000 grant from the Community Foundation of Southeastern Michigan, established three years ago with \$1 million from the Lila Wallace Foundation.

The Community Foundation is currently in the third year of a five-year, \$4.5-million effort to fund local arts, ethnic, and civic organizations working to cultivate culture in the metro area.

Not only are the empirical findings of the demogeographic report invaluable for nonprofit arts organizations trying to identify and build audiences in times of reduced public funding, but art advocates contend that the extensive analysis offers a compelling case that culture in metro Detroit is defined regionally.

This is a sign, perhaps, of the perceived wall crumbling between the city of Detroit and the surrounding suburbs.

"There's a tremen-

dous level of cooperation across regional and county lines," said Larry Coppard, senior consultant at the Community Foundation. "We haven't seen the type of parochialism that has plagued other regional issues."

ArtServe's Kratchman predicts that the findings in the demogeographic analysis will help the campaign to pass a regional arts tax.

Until now, discussions about the proposal have been contentious among Oakland, Macomb and Wayne counties. The latest notion involves a half mill assessment on property in Oakland and Wayne counties. Tax revenue would finance the operating budgets for the area's 14 major cultural institutions. And each county would also receive a block grant to divide among local arts groups.

Dynamic changes

On the surface, cynics could contend that if arts organizations succeed at the business of marketing, then they might need even less public funding. That, according to Louise Stevens of Artmarket Consulting, fails to consider the inherent difference between art and commerce, and the utter upheaval of arts funding over the last decade.

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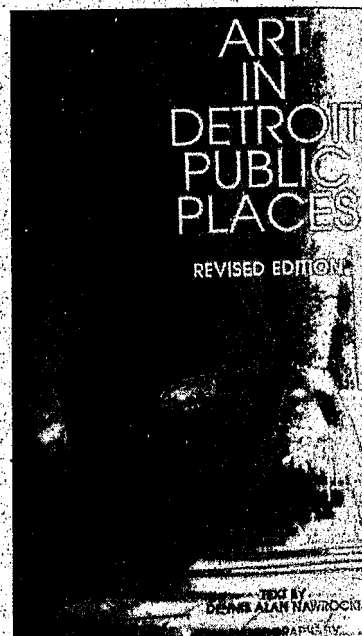
A guide to Motown's public art

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Detroit is known for autos, not art, which is why so little is said about so much.

Tucked around the metro Detroit area are large and small examples of public art. Some are squirreled away in corner parks or the lobbies of buildings. Others are at major crossroads. And many, probably most, are ignored or forgotten.

Dennis Alan Nawrocki puts a spec-



Statement: The cover of "Art in Detroit Public Places" features "Young Lady and Her Suite," a commissioned work by legendary sculptor Alexander Calder.

trum of works on a pedestal in his revised edition of *Art in Detroit Public Places*.

First published in 1980 and now updated, Nawrocki has produced what is essentially a flip guide to the major examples of public art in the metro area.

Illustrated with photos by David Clements, *Art in Detroit Public Places* focuses on five geographic areas: downtown Detroit, Belle Isle and the east area; the Cultural Center, the West and South area and the North and Northwest area.

Here are prominent pieces such as Isamu Noguchi's Horace E. Dodge and Son Memorial Fountain in Hart Plaza and Marshall Fredericks' *Spirit of Detroit* at the City-County Building, which is certainly Detroit's signature sculpture.

But the real interest here is in the small gems like the General Alexander Macomb statue at Washington Boulevard and Michigan Avenue, or Sky Rutzky's extraordinarily subterranean-level piece entitled *Glacial* on the campus of Macomb County Community College and Michael Hall's *Work Covington*, which looks like a collapsed wooden fence alongside North western Highway in Southfield.

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PHOTO BY BLAKE J. DESCHER

Flourishing: Young students line up outside Orchestra Hall for a matinee concert. Cultural institutions and arts organizations are enjoying unprecedented success at attracting audiences, according to the newly released study on arts participation.

HOT TOPIC

Behind the controversy of a sensational exhibit

JUDITH DONER BERNE
SPECIAL WRITER

NEW YORK — The "Sensation" exhibition of young British artists at the Brooklyn Museum of Art remains a hot topic.

And so it happened, that over the check-out counter at the new DKNY store on Madison Avenue, a rather hip, young salesman, the female cashier and I spent a few minutes discussing it. They particularly wanted to know how someone from the Midwest viewed the exhibition, which runs through Jan. 9.

They weren't aware that Detroit had just gone through an art museum controversy of its own when another exhibit designed to shock closed shortly after it opened in mid-November at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

Once upon a time, New Yorkers weren't interested in anyone from anywhere past Jersey, unless they were from the West Coast. That they expressed interest in a Midwesterner's opinion shows progress.

My reaction to "Sensation," I told them, was that over the years, particularly at the Whitney Museum of American Art, I have seen equally shocking art. That includes the current exhibit, "The American Century Art and Culture 1900-2000," part two.

Pulsating: Painter Richard Patterson uses images of plastic toys in his oil and acrylic paintings on canvas. It is one of the many interesting, non-controversial pieces in "Sensation."



What's all the fuss?

"Sensation," of course, is the exhibit of 86 works by 41 young British artists that attracted a record number of visitors in its inaugural presentation at the Royal Academy of Arts in London and is doing the same in New York.

It's the exhibit that New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani attempted unsuccessfully to close down by threatening to cut city funding to the museum.

Basically, "Sensation" is challenging because it concentrates on controversial works and themes. It's worth noting that neither the artists nor their work have stood the test of time.

One often unreported aspect of the controversy is that museums are venturing into the domain once reserved for galleries, namely showing new art.

But to think that all these pieces by British artists of the 1990s are worthy of being shown in major museums is, at best, a stretch.

Still, "Sensation" has some potentially important pieces.

Impressive works

Particularly impressive works in "Sensation" are

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the paintings of Chris Ofili, Richard Patterson and Jenny Saville and the sculpture of Rachel Whiteread.

The pieces by Ofili, including the much-maligned and infamous "The Holy Virgin Mary," are magnificent. Ofili's paintings are intricate, delicate, and dazzling. The precise placement of clumps of elephant dung (the elephant is revered in Zimbabwe where he revamped his style of painting) is his method of grounding them in a cultural as well as a natural landscape.

His paintings are not "smeared" with elephant dung, as described in some media reports.

Jenny Saville's huge oil paintings depict Rubenesque nudes in an apparent statement about the

discomfort of contemporary women with their body images. In "Plan," for instance, the amazingly tinted flesh shows markings like that of a plastic surgeon, defining what route to take to reconfigure a body.

Richard Patterson takes cheap, plastic toys, alters them to his taste, photographs them paints them on a monumental scale. Two of his works, "Motor-crossed II" and "Blue Minotaur," bring to mind "Persistence of Memory" by surrealist artist Salvador Dali.

Meanwhile, Rachel Whiteread also turns to everyday objects, such as bathtubs and sinks, which she fashions out of stark white plaster or alabaster-colored polystyrene.

In "Untitled (100 Spaces)," she

explores the concept of negative space in a roomful of 100 delicately tinted, translucent resin sculptures which she molded from the spaces under four-legged chairs.

Raising questions

"Sensation" raises a lot of questions about what art is. For instance, what is the point of Damien Hurst's exhibit of a shark, a lamb, two pigs and the cross-sections of two cows suspended in formaldehyde? Do these belong in an art or a natural history museum?

After I had viewed one or two of these installations, I vote for the natural history museum.

Another startling piece is Ron Mueck's "Dead Dad," which is an exact replica of his father's

naked corpse, perfectly detailed but reduced to the size of a child. Viewers are forced to confront the body (and the notion of death), as it lies on the floor of the exhibition room. The in-your-face immediacy recalls acclaimed photographer Cindy Sherman's mannequin images.

Two walls of photographs of Richard Billingham's dysfunctional family have been exhibited to great acclaim in galleries in New York, Milan, Paris and London. Yes, they, too, are difficult to look at.

"Sensation" isn't an easy exhibit to view or understand. But its place in art history may well rest on the money and control issues raised rather than its emphasis on shock art.

A front page story by David

Barstow in Tuesday's New York Times reports that the artistic demands of Charles Saatchi, the British advertising executive who owns the works, drove up the cost of the exhibition, forcing a ticket price hike and less security, visitor services and educational programs.

The Times' piece also suggests that Christie's auction house pledged \$50,000 as a corporate sponsor of the exhibit, hoping to handle the Brooklyn Museum's future art sales on an exclusive basis. Barstow's story was based on information culled from internal museum letters, e-mails, memos and financial records handed over during the legal battle with Giuliani.

Barstow writes: "... the documents provide a rare look at the

ethical perils confronting American museums as they stage expensive, blockbuster exhibitions in an era of declining government support. For museum directors, the challenge is to maintain artistic independence and integrity while raising private money that may come from those with a financial stake in their exhibitions."

The issue may be particularly relevant to residents in Oakland and Wayne counties. This August, voters could consider a ballot issue on public funding for our regional arts institutions.

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There are black and white photos of each of the 130 or so works and just enough background copy to make the reading easy and breezy but worthwhile.

The text is straightforward, giving the who, what where, when and why of most pieces and occasionally the how. On the last point, Nawrocki give some welcome insight into how some difficult pieces succeed.

David Rubello's *Color Cubes*, a large mural on the side of the Julian C. Madison Building on Washington Boulevard, works, Nawrocki notes, because the interlocking cubes of color seem to shift and flip "alternatively appearing solid and transparent,

two-dimensional and three-dimensional and receding and pushing forward."

Such color commentary isn't necessary for the copy of Auguste Rodin's *The Thinker* at the Detroit Institute of Arts. But John Chamberlain's *Deliquescence*, which looks like the twisted leftovers from a major auto crash parked at the Patrick V. McNamara Building on Michigan Avenue, calls for the explanation provided by Nawrocki.

There's just enough here to make this a great book to grab on a Sunday and head out for an afternoon of treasure hunting.

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After their initial effort won two national Telly Awards for outstanding production and content in a children's program, Yarmy and Daldin were contacted about by a division of ABC/Disney about a full, 13-program series.

Suddenly, what they admitted was a project they did on the side moved front and center. Quickly, they became convinced that there was a future in inspiring kids about the value of "loving your work." (The creators of "Bob" both admit to having had

jobs they hated — sandblaster and car salesman.)

"The message for kids is: 'Keep reading, do well in school and don't stop dreaming,'" said Daldin.

In time, "Bob's Job" will try to dispel stereotypes and help kids build a broader awareness of the world around them, said Yarmy.

Pick up the phone

For years, the cash cow at Video Design has been corporate videos. High-end stuff that

makes looking at a car seem like a stroll through the Louvre.

But then came "Bob."

In a few weeks, "Bob's Job" will air the second episode on WTVS. Doubters should be prepared to get on the Bob Train. The program has the look and feel of an inevitable success.

Meanwhile, Yarmy and Daldin are seeking backers to finance an entire 13-program series.

Eventually, "Bob's Job" might be just the type of program suit-

ed for PBS, Disney or Nickelodeon's newly formed Noggin Network, which is referred to as "thinking television" in the tradition of "Sesame Street" and "The Electric Company."

Maybe when the phone rings in several months, Yarmy and Daldin might want to pick it up.

There could be a solution on the other end.

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ART BEAT

VAN GOGH TICKETS

Tickets for the exhibition, "Van Gogh: Face to Face," are now available for purchase. The show, featuring 70 paintings and drawings from public and private international collections, will be exhibited March 12 to June 12 at the Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward Ave.

This is the first exhibit to focus on Vincent van Gogh's evolving approach to the portrait throughout his tragically brief life.

Tickets, which include Acoustiguide audio tour, are \$16 adults Monday-Friday, \$18, Saturday-Sunday, \$8 ages 6-17, and available by calling (248) 433-8444. Founders Society members and children age 5 and under are free.

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On Feb. 5 Cranbrook Institute

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"(Arts organizations) need to realize that the marketplace is dynamic," said Stevens. "They need to find ways to rebuild earned income and build awareness among contributors."

Typically, funding is derived from public, foundation or private donations, and revenue generated from ticket sales, referred to as earned income.

Largely because of the explosion in the entertainment economy, nonprofits have been forced to compete in alongside for-profit venues. "We'd like to believe that the arts can stand outside the marketplace, but they don't," said Stevens.

"Consumers want value for their money. The days of boosterism and supporting the 'arts' because it's the 'arts' are gone."

Usefulness of report

More entertainment options on any given night of the week is a prime reason for declining season subscription sales and an increase in single-ticket revenue with most arts organizations in the performing arts.

"No matter how much marketing we do, 70 percent of our budget comes from ticket income," said Doug Koon, marketing director at Meadow Brook Theatre.

With a \$3-million annual budget for a seven-play season, that leaves a small margin for failure.

Findings in the "Geodemographic and Database Analysis" indicated that Meadow Brook is not only the "flagship professional theater in Michigan," but its

audience represents nearly half of the larger audience for live theater in the region. "Even we were surprised at the level of crossover audiences (for theater)," said Koon.

With a stable audience drawn primarily from the tri-county area, the Birmingham Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra conducted its own audience survey last year and found that "older, more settled and higher income people" attended their concerts, said Carla Lamphere, executive director of the BBSO.

"This report will help us when we approach corporate donors," she said. "We can show prospective donors that their customers also are in the cultural world."

While ArtServe will provide

ongoing consultations to help arts organizations determine how to use the findings of the geodemographic report, there are established groups like the Detroit Chamber Winds & Strings of Troy that creating the paradigm for success.

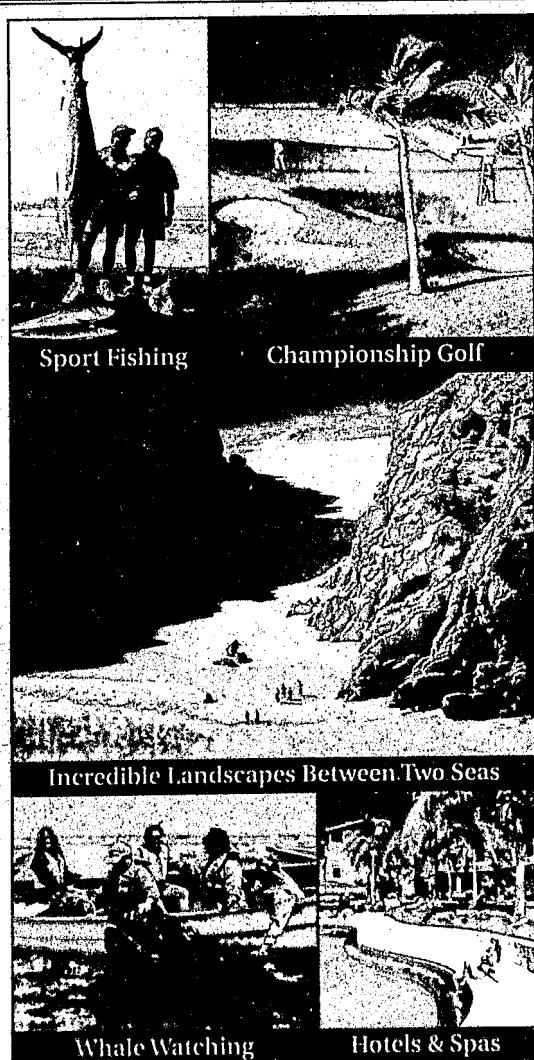
In addition to its concert season, the Detroit Chamber Winds is the organizing entity behind the acclaimed Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival, held every June.

"The information (in the report) will really help the smaller organizations," said Maury Okun, executive director of Detroit Chamber Winds. "To a certain extent, most arts organizations make an educated guess on who their audience is."

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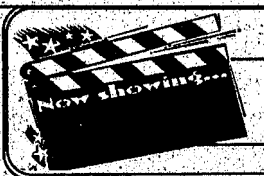
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Weekends of special holiday sales. The "Small Works" fine art sale runs through Thursday, December 30 in the DeSalle Community Gallery with more than 200 works priced under \$300. Hours are Monday to Thursday 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Friday and Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sundays, noon to 4 p.m. In December, 1516 South Cranbrook Road, Birmingham. (248) 644-0866.

FINE ARTS FESTIVAL

Presented by the Southfield-Lathrup High School Art, Music, Drama and Dance students at 6:45 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 16, 19301 W. 12 Mile, Southfield. (248) 746-7489.

GALERIE DE BOICOURT

Scandinavian holiday decorations and crafts on sale until Dec. 25. 251 E. Merrill, Birmingham. (248) 723-5680.

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CALL FOR ENTRIES

Paint Creek Center for the Arts seeks applications from artists interested in exhibiting fine arts or crafts at the Juried Art & Apples Festival in Rochester Municipal Park. Applications must be received by March 1. Entry fee is \$25. To obtain an application form, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Art & Apples Festival, PCCA, 407 Pine Street, Rochester. (248) 651-4110.

MICHIGAN FINE ARTS COMPETITION

A juried exhibit presented by the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center. Slide deadline is January 3, cash prizes totaling \$9,000 will be awarded. 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham. (248) 644-0866.

CLASSES

CREATIVE ARTS CENTER OF PONTIAC

Winter 2000 classes for children through adults in fine arts, computer design and music begin Jan. 15, 47 Williams Street. Fees vary per class and a limited number of scholarships are available based on financial need. (248) 333-7849.

EISENHOWER DANCE ENSEMBLE

All levels of classes for recreational and professional students, including modern, ballet, pointe, tap and jazz for children ages 3 and older. 1541 W. Hamlin Road, between Crooks and Livernois roads, Rochester Hills. (248) 852-5850.

JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER

Adult art classes 9 a.m. to noon Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Woodcarving classes offered 9 a.m. Monday-Friday, 15110 West Ten Mile Road, Oak Park. (248) 967-4030.

KAMMUELLER DANCE CLASSES

Advanced and professional classical ballet program, 9:30 a.m. Monday-Friday; intermediate level, 11:30 a.m. Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. 5526 W. Drake, West Bloomfield. (248) 932-8699.

PAINT CREEK CENTER FOR THE

ARTS

Open registration begins Dec. 14 for the Winter Semester which runs Jan. 19-March 11. 407 Pine Street, Rochester. (248) 651-4110.

CONCERTS

CLASSICS AT THE LAKE

Ervin Monroe and Alexander Zonjic perform a "Piper's Holiday Concert" 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 19 in the shrine chapel on the college campus at Orchard Lake and Commerce. (248) 683-1750.

DETROIT CHAMBER WINDS & STRINGS

Holiday Brass, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12 at Christ Church Cranbrook. (248) 362-9DCW.

DETROIT ORATORIO SOCIETY

A Yuletide Benefit Concert at 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 19 at Andiamo's Italia Ristorante Banquet Center, 7096 East 14 Mile Road in Warren. (248) 650-2655.

DSO NUTCRACKER

The Detroit Symphony Orchestra and Ballet Internationale perform the Nutcracker through Sunday, Dec. 19 at the Detroit Opera House, Detroit. (313) 576-5100.

FEAST OF CAROLS

6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12 at the Royal Oak First United Methodist Church, 320 W. Seventh, Royal Oak. (248) 541-4100.

HOLIDAY BRASS

Performs at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12 at Christ Church Cranbrook, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 362-9329.

HOLIDAY POPS

A Yuletide celebration featuring David Briskin conducting Dec. 16-20 at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. (313) 576-5111.

MUSIC AT KIRK IN THE HILLS

Annual service of lessons and carols, 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 19, 1340 West Long Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 626-2515.

SOUTHFIELD SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Performs with the Japanese Business Society of Detroit Men's and Women's Chorus at 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12 at the Southfield Pavilion, 26000 Evergreen Road, Southfield. (248) 557-2085.

DANCE

EISENHOWER DANCE ENSEMBLE

Holiday Dance Spectacular at 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12 at the Lake Orion Performing Arts Center, Lake Orion. (248) 362-9329.

MT. ZION SCHOOL OF DANCE

Presents "The Nutcracker Ballet," 7 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Dec. 17-18, Lake Orion High School Performing Arts Center. Tickets \$6 in advance, \$8 at the door. (248) 391-0116.

EVENTS

LIVING NATIVITY

An enactment of the story of the birth of Jesus at 6:30, 7:30 and 8:30 p.m. Dec. 12 at the First Baptist Church, Birmingham. (248) 644-0550.

NATIVITY PAGEANT

The annual festival of gifts is at 9:15 and 11:15 a.m., Sunday, Dec. 12 when parishioners bring a gift to the cradle. Gifts will be distributed the next day to Wayne and Oakland County human service agencies. Christ Church Cranbrook, 470 Church Road, Bloomfield Hills. (248)

644-5210.

WASSAIL FEAST

Royal Court begins 6:30 p.m. Dec. 17-18 with an open bar in the Kresge Court at the Detroit Institute of Arts. The revelry continues in the Great Hall with a five-course meal fit for nobility. Entertainers, jugglers and strolling minstrels perform nightly. 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 833-4005.

FOR KIDS

HANSEL AND GRETEL

The Great Lakes Lyric Opera presents a holiday musical for the family at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 21 at the Southfield Center for the Arts, Southfield Road, south of 10 Mile. For information call (248) 424-9022.

HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS

The Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center offers a series of creative workshops for children preschool through high school, Dec. 13-16, 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham. (248) 644-0866.

ST. NICHOLAS WORKSHOP

Adults are invited to submit children's names to the fifth annual St. Nicholas Workshop at St. Mary's College at Orchard Lake. Requests may be mailed by Dec. 15 to St. Nicholas Workshop, St. Mary's College, 3535 Indian Trail, Orchard Lake, MI 48324. A fee of \$7 (payable to St. Mary's College) should be included. Specify which language the response should be made: English, Polish, Albanian, Macedonian or Ukrainian. (248) 683-0518.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONCERT

Peace on Earth, a holiday theme featuring the Detroit Symphony Orchestra at 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 18 at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. (313) 576-5130.

LECTURES

BROWN BAG LECTURES

Van Gogh: Face to Face, a presentation by Ann Marie Erikson, DIA Group Director of Communication and Marketing at 2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 16 in the Information Technology Auditorium on the County Campus in Waterford. (248) 858-0415.

WRITER'S CORNER

WSU professor Norma Goldman invites those interested in creative writing to attend a lecture at 10 a.m. Friday, Dec. 17 at the Jewish Community Center, 15110 West Ten Mile, Oak Park. (248)

967-4030.

JEWISH ART IN AMERICA

Ester Tarnoff Cooper from the speaker's bureau, DIA speaks on this topic at 1 p.m., Monday, Dec. 20 at the Jewish Community Center, 15110 West Ten Mile, Oak Park. (248) 967-4030.

MUSEUMS

CRANBROOK INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE

Through Jan. 2 - Turbulent Landscapes: The Natural Forces That Shape our World. Sunday Brunch lecture at 11 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 12 is "Reality Check: Fake, Forgery or Copy?" 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. 1-877-GO-CRANbrook.

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

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DANIEL STICKRADT

Ringing in the millennium on a different course than normal

"What are you doing New Year's Eve?" Even a song was made of that phrase, and the song has been ringing in my head like a New Year's Day hangover.

The reason I keep humming the lyrics over and over is that most everyone I meet pops me that question. I'm betting if someone hasn't asked you, then you have probably asked someone, "What are you doing New Year's Eve?"

It has been obvious for some time now that New Year's Eve 1999 will have extra significance because it will mark the end of the millennium and the beginning of a new age in history.

Typically, I have not held New Year's Eve in very high esteem. For me, the pseudo-holiday ranks behind many other celebration days, including Halloween, Valentine's Day, and Sunday at The Masters. I do understand, though, that many people want to commemorate the millennium by doing something special.

Downtown Birmingham, as usual, will be teeming with excited celebrants. Old Woodward Avenue will probably look like the Champs Elysees on New Year's Eve.

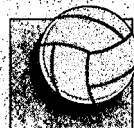
Speaking of Paris, some will travel to party destinations to ring in the new year: Walt Disney World, Las Vegas, Miami and New York City have reportedly been sold-out for over a year. At a price of \$85,000 per person, the Concorde will jet passengers at supersonic speed from time zone to time zone so that they may experience midnight again and again. Some of the more timid will be locked in their homes with a month's supply of bottled water and Spam, fearing a computer-generated blackout.

Frankly, I have been avoiding the entire matter, and until now have had no idea where I'll be at this turn of the century, and had no thoughts of what I would be doing. I have now, though, carefully made up my mind, and if you'll indulge me, I'll share it with you.

When deciding how to personally mark the millennium, I considered what in life was most important to me. The thought of being in the middle of a banquet room full of people wearing paper hats and blowing noisemakers was immediately disqualified. So too disqualified was a boisterous place like Mallory Square in Key West or Bourbon Street in New Orleans. Since I imagine Royal Oak will be similar, I ruled it out as well.

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Clarkston netters going for repeat



Clarkston won the OAA Division II volleyball title last year at 11-1 and the Wolves were 17-2-2 against schools from the 28-school league. Coach Gordie Richardson hopes six returnees will keep them in this year's title hunt

By DANIEL STICKRADT
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When Oakland Activities Association officials dropped Clarkston's volleyball program into Division II of the 28-school mega conference, the Wolves took it as an insult.

Clarkston, 27-13-3 overall last winter, responded with vengeance, winning Division II with an impressive 11-1 mark. But what was even more impressive statistic was that the Wolves were 17-2-2 against all teams from the OAA.

"We had a good team last year," said veteran Clarkston coach Gordie Richardson. "I don't think the girls took the fact that they were in Division II too lightly."

With that fire under their bellies, the Wolves had a very successful season and Richardson hopes Clarkston will continue to play as an inspired unit despite the loss of six players to graduation and another who elected to forgo her senior season.

"I think we'll be a pretty competitive team again," said Richardson. "We have a lot of very good athletes on this team. Now, it's my job to get them all on the same page."

In all, six players return with varsity experience. The other eight athletes on the 14-member squad performed at the junior-varsity level last year, but Richardson is confident that the new and the old will blend together with time.

"It will take some time, but we'll be all right," he said. "We don't have tremendous size except for a couple of girls, but the positive attitude and the work ethic is definitely there."

Richardson will look to his key returnees for leadership, including 5-foot-6 senior setter Jennie Wind and 6-0 senior middle-blocker Brittani Brewer, who is slated for a big year as one of the league's top players.

Richardson also has high hopes for 5-6 senior defensive specialist Katie Tripi, who saw limited action last year, and

three other returnees — athletic 5-9 junior outside-hitters Angela Humphreys and Mary Warchuck, and 5-7 outside-hitter Kristen Falck, another quality junior.

"Mary Warchuck and Angela Humphreys both saw a lot of time last year and did very well," said Richardson. "I think they should see even some more time this year."

As for the newcomers, Richardson is high on 5-3 junior Lisa Ferguson, who will back Winn at the setter position, and 5-10 middle-blocker Lyndsay Vincent. Another player with loads of potential is 6-2 junior middle-blocker Andrea Gower, who is starting to grow into her tall frame.

"She could become a very good player," said Richardson of Gower. "The desire is there."

"That's what I like about this team — their desire," he continued. "They all want to play volleyball and they want to succeed. But it takes a lot to succeed at this level and these girls must sustain their work ethic and desire."

Athletic 5-6 junior outside-hitter Tracy Honey, a standout in softball, along with 5-6 junior outside-hitter Lindsay Simko, 5-7

junior outside-hitter Tricia Brewer, 5-6 junior defense specialist Shannon Sadowski, and 5-7 junior defensive specialist Jessica Clavette, round out the Wolves' roster.

Although Clarkston is the defending Division II champions, Richardson isn't sure who the favorite is in this year's race.

"It will be interesting. Both Ferndale and Rochester have new coaches," he said, noting last year's second- and third-place finishers. "And there some other good teams in our division and in the other divisions as well. Everything remains to be seen. But I think we should be very competitive again. And I like to think that we'll be in the hunt again."

Clarkston began its season Saturday at the Lansing Waverly Invitational.

'I think we'll be pretty competitive again. We have a lot of very good athletes on this team...'

Gordie Richardson
—Clarkston volleyball coach



PHOTO BY BOB KNOSKA

Ready: Clarkston senior middle-blocker Brittani Brewer gets ready to serve at a recent practice.

Springfield Christian searching for net gains

By DANIEL STICKRADT
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Melissa Hughes expected her Clarkston Springfield Christian volleyball team to struggle last season. After all, the Eagles' roster was loaded with freshmen and sophomores.

But this year Hughes thinks good things are to come as Springfield Christian welcomes back most of its team, which will be expected to challenge defending champion Troy Bethany Christian in the Fundamental Baptist Athletic Conference Red Division.

The Eagles had a strong summer at camps and are poised for a strong campaign.

"We were very young last year and I didn't expect us to be very strong," said Hughes. "Last year we had two key seniors quit at the beginning of the season

and we were forced to carry a lot of freshmen on the team."

Hughes will carry five more freshmen this year, but the Eagles still return five starters from last year's contingent, which finished 9-12-1 and in fourth place in the Red Division. Springfield Christian was also ousted in the regionals of the Michigan Association of Christian Schools Division I state tournament.

"Right now, we are way better than we were last year," said Hughes. "The camps over the summer helped us out tremendously."

"I would like to think that we can compete this year and win a lot more matches. But that all depends on if we continue to work hard and continue to improve."

The five starters back for Springfield include 5-foot-9 senior middle-blocker/ outside-hitter Rachel Conner, 5-5 senior outside-hitter, 5-4 senior setter

Sarah Robinson, 5-9 sophomore middle-blocker/outside-hitter Nikki Hortick, and 5-7 sophomore outside-hitter Amanda Vanaman, who can also fill in as a defensive specialist.

The team's sixth starter will likely be 5-2 senior setter/defensive specialist Liz Hamlin, who sat out last year due to an injury.

"We have a lot of experience on this team; we're young but we have experience," said Hughes.

Springfield Christian also has a strong cast of newcomers that could make an impact, especially 5-7 freshman outside-hitter Alicia Weiler and 5-4 defensive-specialist Angela Fornwall, another highly-touted freshman.

Kyra Ling, a 5-7 sophomore outside-hitter, and three more freshmen — 5-3 defensive specialist

Please See SPRINGFIELD, C2

Offense-minded first-team had the right stuff to light up the board

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All across Oakland County, and Eccentric communities in particular, high school football featured a plethora of offensive talent.

Size, speed and the determination to power the pigskin into the end zone make the 1999 All-Area First Team Offense one of the finest ever assembled.

Those players named to the first team, as selected by area coaches, include linemen Eric Bauer (Clarkston), Jim Grubbs (Birmingham Groves), Mike Preston (Auburn Hills Avondale), Brian Smith (Waterford Mott) and Jason Tuani (Walled Lake Western), tight end Brendan Hart (Birmingham Brother Rice), wide receivers Jeremy Battier (Detroit Country Day) and Mike Crawford (Lake Orion), running backs Cody Cargill (WL Western), Nathan Davis (Waterford Kettering) and Mark Goebel (Brother Rice), quarterbacks Mark Abro (Troy Athens) and Brad Humphrey (Kettering) and placekicker Blake Dobson (Groves).

Following is a brief profile of each player named to the first team.

ERIC BAUER, Clarkston: Competing in his second varsity campaign, Bauer, a 6-3, 280-pound senior, was the driving force behind the Wolves' potent ground game. Bauer also displayed his talents on the defensive side of the ball the latter half of the year.

"Eric has great upper body strength and is a great drive blocker," Clarkston coach Kurt Richardson said. "He was a leader in the weight room and also played good defense."

JIM GRUBBS, Groves: A 6-1, 190-pound senior, Grubbs excelled both at a guard position and defensive tackle in his second season as starter. Grubbs was instrumental in the Groves ground game that churned up a great deal of yardage throughout the '99 campaign.

"He is one of the hardest working players I have coached," Groves coach Jim McDougall said. "We were extremely pleased with his performance."

MIKE PRESTON, Avondale: The steady force up front for the Yellow Jackets, the 6-2, 275-pound Preston proved to be a dominant blocker in his second season as starter. A captain, Preston proved to be a leader both on and off the field.

"Mike is a great offensive lineman who possesses great lateral movement," Avondale coach Tony Messina said. "He worked very hard to become a great blocker."

BRIAN SMITH, Waterford Mott: A junior competing in his second season of varsity play, the 6-3, 265-pound Smith made a smooth transition from tackle to guard for the Corsairs. Smith also displayed great play as a defensive tackle.

"He graded out to 80 percent blocking efficiency," Mott coach Ken Schmidt said. "Brian is strong and intense and we ran everything behind him."

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Eccentric All-Area Football 1999

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Success came in many shapes and sizes on the defensive side of things for Eccentric-area teams during the 1999 football campaign.

Great strength and speed, from the trenches to the backfield, make the 1999 Eccentric All-Area First Team defense a special unit.

Spearheading those sterling efforts were stalwarts Ryan Clement (Clarkston), Mike Godlew (Birmingham Groves), Matt Kroge (Troy), Delore Semaan (Walled Lake Western), Matt Wohlge-muth (Lake Orion), Zak Keasey (Lake Orion), James King (WL Western), Eddie Hillery (Rochester), Garret Weston (Birmingham Brother Rice), Ryan Carruthers (Waterford Mott), Jer-maine Gonzales (Orchard Lake St. Mary's), Lorenzo Parker (WL Western), Ron Ramirez (Groves) and Rob Ferns (Troy Athens).

Following is a brief profile of each player selected to the first team by area coaches.

RYAN CLEMENT, Clarkston: A mainstay in the middle of the Wolves line the past four years, the 6-foot-2, 275-pound Clement was the force behind a punishing defense that yielded 10 points per game during the regular season.

"He's a great kid and the best lineman we've had," beamed Clarkston coach Kurt Richardson. "He just started playing defense this year because we wanted to change things up and put

Defensive success came in many shapes and forms for first-team

our best players on defense."

MIKE GODLEW, Groves: The Falcons' senior co-captain used his 6-3, 225-pound frame to cause havoc for opposing ballcarriers. Quickness off the ball allowed Godlew, a three-year starter, to total 10 sacks, including a game-high five against rival Seaholm.

"Mike worked very hard and became our best lineman," Groves coach Jim McDougall said.

MATT KROGE, Troy: Garnering his second straight first team honor, the 6-1, 210-pound senior lineman combined quickness and strength to cover the whole field. Often double-teamed, Kroge broke free to punish ballcarriers in his second season of varsity play.

"Matt is a tremendous player," Troy coach Gary Griffith said. "He gets off the ball exceptionally well, is strong and really covers sideline to sideline. One guy, and often two guys, couldn't handle him."

DELORE SEMAAN, WL Western: No stranger to the Eccentric First Team, Semaan gained his second consecutive honor after helping his teammates to the Division I state championship. A captain, the 5-11, 225-pound Semaan combined strength and quickness in his third season of varsity play to total 129 tackles (66 solo) and collect seven sacks.

"He's been able to do it all through hard work," Western coach Mike Zdebski said. "He's very

Please See DEFENSE, C3

Clarkston puts Southfield on ice, 14-1

Clarkston matmen pin loss on Falcons

BY MIKE SCOTT
SPECIAL WRITER

Heading into this weekend's tough pair of games, the Clarkston hockey team needed a breather. And the Wolves got that against Southfield Unified.

Clarkston (5-1-0) scored early and often in a 14-1 pounding of Southfield Wednesday night in an Oakland Activities Association crossover match on the road.

Almost every regular Clarkston forward found his scoring touch. Anthony Facione, Jon Bemis, Bill Kalush and Derek Hool all scored twice for the Wolves, who played at Brighton late Friday night and hosted Royal Oak Unified Saturday at Lakeland Ice Arena.

Alan Marchio, normally a forward, split time as goalie with Jordan Conley against Southfield, which is a team comprised of players from Southfield-Lathrup and Southfield high schools. This is only the second year the team is in existence and most players on the team are in their first or second year of organized hockey, and it showed against the Wolves.

Clarkston coach Bryan Krygi-

er said there is little he can do as a coach when encountered with an overmatched team, because he wants his players to have fun although he would prefer not to run up the score.

"The guys want to score goals and make some moves that they normally wouldn't try," said Krygi-er. "I don't want our guys to stop playing and lose their edge so it can be a tough situation."

At Thursday's practice, Clarkston worked on forechecking, a skill the Wolves have been steadily improving with this year. Krygi-er wants to limit the number of breakouts opposing teams are able to get on the Wolves. He said getting off to a good start in the first period is a key to winning many of the upcoming matches.

The concern about sending an inexperienced defense on the ice has subsided somewhat because of the strong play of the three freshmen defenders, Myles Purdy, Jim Lattanzi and Ron Knoebel. Not only have they been strong at the blue line in limiting opposition scoring chances, but also at times they have been involved in the

offensive rush.

"I don't mind it when our defensemen jump up into the play because they are good skaters and can get back if they need to," said Krygi-er. "Everyone understands that (for a defender) the first responsibility is protecting our zone. But if they can contribute offensively, I encourage it."

Sophomore forward Adam Postal has been one of the most consistent offensive performers early in the season. Postal is leads the team with seven goals in six games and is working hard on both ends of the ice. Krygi-er likes the way Postal uses his body to check opposing players and admires his work ethic.

The focus for Clarkston is on maintaining control of the puck and ensuring tight coverage. And the depth of the Wolves makes it easier for all of their players to give full effort during every shift. Unlike many teams they face, Clarkston legitimately plays four forward lines and six defensemen. "Our guys are starting to gel pretty well and I'm not afraid to play a lot of people," said Krygi-er. "But we have a tough stretch of games coming up and there is no question we'll be tested."

By David Saunders
Staff Writer

Rochester came into Wednesday's wrestling match undefeated at 2-0 and Clarkston winless after two matches. But both teams knew the Oakland Activities Association Division I match was going to be close.

Rochester coach Jediah Kramer thought the Falcons had to pile up the points early because the lower weight classes were the Rochester's strength.

Clarkston assistant coach Frank Lafferty knew he had two aces in the hole — two-time state champion Pat DeGain at 215 pounds and heavyweight John Robinson, who placed seventh in state last year.

When DeGain's brother, Clint, just a freshman, pinned senior Ryan Krammer in the 160 weight class, Lafferty knew they had the match, with four weight classes left and their first lead at 30-27. He felt R.J. Booker's pin in the second round over Rochester's Mike Phillips clinched it even though it was still mathematically possible that Rochester could still win.

Rochester's Jesse Navarre pinned his man to close Clarkston's recently gained lead to 36-33 but DeGain and Robinson did what was expected by the Wolves as they both pinned their opponent, which gave Clarkston (0-2, 1-0) a 46-33 triumph.

Most pleasing for the two-time state champ DeGain was watching the performance of his brother, Clint. Pat hasn't lost a match since his freshman year and has gone 81-0 the past since his sophomore year. And Pat expects a third in a row for him.

"I don't expect Clint to win state, but he has all the potential in the world," said Pat about his younger brother. "He gives me one of the better workouts. He has a lot of technique." Pat paced the mat and yelled instructions to his younger brother. And he loves his brother teaming up

with him.

"During the first meet I was talking to him and he said, 'I'm so nervous. I don't know what to do. I've been waiting for high school wrestling all my life.'"

"It's brought us so much closer," said Pat, who signed a scholarship with Indiana University Nov. 17. "Now we're talking. Before we were fighting. That's like brotherly love."

While Clint may become the future leader of the Wolves wrestlers, since there are 30-plus freshman on this year's team, Pat is the leader now. But both lineups were loaded with freshman. And the match was full of pins.

It was freshman James Campbell of Rochester who pinned freshman Blake Harlow with a freeze pin. Rochester freshman Matt Merian pinned Jason Spencer in the 112 weight class for a 12-0 Rochester lead.

The Falcons (2-1, 0-1) extended their lead when junior Brian VanEman pinned Jeff More-earti. But a freshman for Clarkston, Nate May at 125, got the Wolves their first points, when he pinned Rochester's Ken Handyside and dislocated Handyside's shoulder at the same time.

Rochester freshman Joe Miller pinned Brenton Place in the second round of the 130-pound match to extend Rochester's lead to 24-6, but Clarkston's Dave Endreski (135 pounds), Dave Walenko (140 pounds), and Brett Gove (145 pounds) strung together back-to-back-to-back pins to knot the score at 24-all.

Rochester's Jake Miller won on points to give the Falcons their last lead.

"We're real young below," Lafferty said. "As the year goes on they'll get better. We have some tough guys up at top."

Rochester coach Kramer knew they were tough in the upper weight classes and he hoped they'd point enough in the lower weights to hold on. But the stragely didn't apy off for the Falcons.

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Sarah Shook, 5-6 outside-hitter/defensive specialist Rachel Miles and 5-4 defensive specialist Amanda Allen — all hope to provide depth and gain experience as first-year varsity performers.

"We have a lot talent in ninth grade, and our middle school is even stronger," Hughes boasted. "That bodes very well for our future."

As for the present 1999-2000 season, Hughes expects to see

major improvements over the next three months.

"Last year we made a lot of mistakes," recalled Hughes. "And with a young team, that will happen. Hopefully, a lot of these girls learned from them. I expect us to much more competitive this year. I think we can win the matches that we are supposed to and maybe give some of the better teams a good game."

Shiels from page C1

I needed to settle this with myself. What would I want to remember doing when I thought about this supposedly momentous occasion? Where would I be the most happy to mark the moment? Where would I feel totally satisfied that I had not missed an opportunity or made the wrong choice. I needed a quality location.

The answer then came to me like a welcome invitation from an old friend.

"The golf course," I thought. "I am happiest and most content on the golf course."

When the big ball falls in Times Square and the clock reaches midnight on New Year's Eve 1999, I plan to be alone with the game, hitting shots and chasing them, and hitting them again. Yes, it will be dark, and yes, it may be very cold, but it is home to me, and golf is a consistent friend that has never failed me, neither in the last millennium or the one to come.

When I think about the emotions that golf evokes in me, I can think of no better exercise than to drive, chip and putt my way into the new millennium under the light of the moon, and in the kind of peaceful still that allows the mind to truly reflect upon what the passing of time means.

As I hit trusting shots into the darkness, I'm certain that the "old acquaintances" that I have met through the game of golf will come to mind, because despite the lyric of the traditional New Year's Eve song, I think they should not be forgotten. Some of those people are gone, some remain in my life and some are merely silent, but remembered.

Golf has given me a livelihood, and a life well lived in some of the finest and most interesting locations on earth. For me, golf has created friendships and even fixed a few broken ones. It has challenged me, rewarded me, and sometimes confounded me, but wherever I was, and no matter what the circumstances, golf was there for me.

It taught me honor, etiquette, honesty and sportsmanship. It taught me that even though sometimes the breaks don't go your way, you still have to play the ball where it lies. Golf taught me to respect nature. It taught me to be a gentleman. I've learned to breathe the history and significance of the 500-year-old game.

I should say that I am not yet certain what local golf course I plan to stage this little pilgrimage on, and even if I knew I don't think it would be wise to publish it here since none of the area courses will expect a player that evening.

Indeed, I fear a request like this would lead all but the most sentimental of golf course operators to think me mad! Alas, this experience will likely have to happen in a clandestine fashion, which, in truth, makes it all the more delicious.

I expect the moment of midnight, when it comes, to be just as breathtaking in a very personal and soulful way. I imagine it will be very silent at midnight on the golf course, except, perhaps, for the honking of passing cars or maybe the popping of distant firecrackers.

Maybe, if I listen hard, I will hear the nearby singing of "Auld Lang Syne."

Maybe, if I listen even harder, I will hear myself.
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JASON TUENI, WL Western: Not the biggest of offensive linemen at 5-11 and 240 pounds, Tueni emerged onto the starting scene and helped the Warriors run over 14 consecutive opponents and earn the Division I state crown.

"Jason was our most improved player," Western coach Mike Zdebski said. "He just put in the time and hard work and became a great player for us."

BRENDAN HART, Brother Rice: A force on the Warriors' offensive side of the football the past three seasons, the 6-3, 220-pound Hart proved to be a solid target at his tight end position. In addition to hauling in some 30 passes and scoring five touchdowns, Hart did a stellar job of blocking to help trigger the ground game.

"Brendan did a great job and was one of our leaders," Brother Rice coach Al Fracassa said. "He caught some big passes for first downs and certainly had his best all-around year."

JEREMY BATTIER, Country Day: One of the state's premier wide receivers, Battier concluded a stellar three-year varsity career by leading his teammates to the Division 5 state crown. Standing 6-5 and weighing 200 pounds, Battier, a tri-captain, provided a reliable target for Yellow Jacket quarterbacks, in addition to turning in clutch performances in the defensive secondary.

"Jeremy always rose up in big games," DCD coach Dan MacLean said. "He's up there with the best receivers we've had. His goal always was to be a part of a state championship team."

MIKE CRAWFORD, Lake Orion: A threat to go the distance anytime he got his hands on the football, Crawford, a 6-3, 175-pound senior, hauled in 51 passes for 704 yards and eight TDs. Crawford also patrolled the secondary for three years.

"Mike is one of the most talented all-around athletes I've coached," Dragons coach Chris Bell said. "He was always a threat and was definitely our go-to guy."

CODY CARGILL, WL Western: The 6-0, 210-pound Cargill got a little taste of the championship flavor in '96 as a freshman. That enjoyment overflowed this year as the Warriors' senior running back gained 1,444 yards and scored 19 touchdowns. If that wasn't enough, Cargill was also a vital cog in the stingy Warriors defense.

"Cody hadn't played running back since the eighth grade, so we didn't know really what to expect," Zdebski said. "Everyone on the team had

great respect for him because of his work ethic."

NATHAN DAVIS, W. Kettering: A junior in his second season as starter, the 6-2, 218-pound Davis amassed 809 yards on the ground and scored five TDs, despite missing some time with a shoulder injury. His talents also earned him time on defense at linebacker.

"I would match him up against anybody," Kettering coach Al Duff said. "He knows how to run behind the shoulder pads and did a better job of holding onto the ball."

MARK GOEBEL, Brother Rice: The power behind the Warriors' potent ground game, Goebel, a 6-2, 204-pound terror committed to Michigan State, earned team MVP honors on offense by rushing for 1,500 yards and 15 touchdowns.

"Mark is a very dedicated player who worked hard in the off-season and was a real leader," Fracassa said. "He had the ability to make one move and then get all he could."

MARK ABRO, Athens: Elusiveness and sheer determination were two of the ingredients mixing to produce one of the greatest single seasons for a Red Hawk quarterback. A junior standing 6-1, 185 pounds, Abro earned team MVP honors after totaling 1,833 passing yards, 531 rushing yards and accounting for 20 TDs. He set school marks in most TDs in a game, most TDs in a nine-game season, passing yards in a game and passing yards in a nine-game season.

"Mark is a great leader and a great competitor," Athens coach John Walker said. "We saw him grow as the season went on and he wasn't afraid to play with the big boys. He played with a lot of poise."

BRAD HUMPHREY, W. Kettering: A senior competing in his third season of varsity play, the 6-4, 205-pound Humphrey used a quick release and strong arm to throw for 1,213 yards and nine TDs. Humphrey, a captain, finished with 21 career touchdowns.

"Brad has a strong arm and a quick release," Duff said.

BLAKE DOBSON, Groves: Concentrating solely on football this season, the 6-1, 175-pound junior placekicker converted 9 of 11 field goal and 32 of 34 extra points.

"Blake played wide receiver and defensive back, so he never came off the field," McDougall said.

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strong and has great quickness."

MATT WOHLGEMUTH, Lake Orion: The Lake Orion senior defensive end became a "dominant, dominant football player," according to Dragons coach Chris Bell, in his third season as a starter.

"He eliminates half the field for us," Bell said. "He has exceptional speed for a player his size and also played well as a tight end this year."

ZAK KEASEY, Lake Orion: A force on both sides of the football, Keasey used his 6-1, 215-pound frame to total 31 solo tackles and 62 assisted tackles. Included were three interceptions, two sacks and one blocked punt. As a fullback, the Dragon senior rushed for 398 yards and four touchdowns.

"Zak is the best all-around player I've coached," Bell said. "He's a violent hitter who is always around the ball making plays. He's the heart and soul of our defense and been the attitude behind the success."

JAMES KING, WL Western: Competing in his third varsity campaign, the 6-2, 190-pound senior linebacker used his ball-hawking talents to be credited with 72 solo tackles and 48 assists. His on-field quickness enabled him to set a school record in sacks with 21.

"James has a great passion for the game," Zdebski said. "He's a competitor who plays with a lot of emotion. He's very coachable and became much more self-disciplined this season."

EDDIE HILLERY, Rochester: The Falcon senior found the defensive side of the football as enjoyable as the offensive side. Handling the brunt of the offensive carries the past two seasons, Hillery continued those heroics, but added solid play on the defensive side as well. The 6-2, 215-pound co-captain finished with 30 solo tackles and eight sacks at linebacker. His 2,500 rushing yards is No. 1 all-time at Rochester.

"Eddie has been an unselfish, silent leader," Rochester coach Mark Merlo said. "He did anything the team needed to be successful."

GARRET WESTON, Brother Rice: The Warriors' senior linebacker used his 6-1, 205-pound frame to collect 107 solo tackles and two interceptions, en route to gaining team MVP honors on defense.

"He's a smart player who played disciplined football and liked to hit," Fracassa said of his two-year varsity performer. "He made a lot of crucial tackles

and really led our defense."

RYAN CARRUTHERS, Waterford Mott: Another multi-talented individual competing on both sides of the line of scrimmage, the 5-9, 170-pound senior defensive back collected 13 solo tackles, was in on 40 assisted tackles and had five interceptions. His offensive prowess resulted in a pair of punt returns for touchdowns, one 90-yard kickoff score and eight rushing TDs.

"Ryan was a big worker in the weight room," Mott coach Ken Schmidt said. "He was always pretty quick and got a lot stronger this season."

JERMAINE GONZALES, St. Mary's: Offensively and defensively, the Eagles senior did it all in leading his teammates to the Division IV state crown. As a defensive back, the 6-3, 195-pound Gonzales had eight interceptions. On offense, Gonzales threw for 2,400 yards and 29 touchdowns, while not hurling a single interception.

"He's quiet, mild-mannered and a great leader," St. Mary's coach George Porritt said. "Being a quarterback really helped him be a defensive back. You really wanted to play for him."

LORENZO PARKER, WL Western: Quite possibly the premier cornerback in the state, Parker, a 5-11, 170-pound senior, totaled 70 tackles (38 solo, 32 assists), had five interceptions, blocked four kicks and returned one kickoff for a touchdown.

"Lorenzo plays with a lot of confidence and could really make plays in the open field," Zdebski said. "He has a great sense for the game."

RON RAMIREZ, Groves: A three-year starter for the Falcons, the 5-10, 195-pound Ramirez followed up his junior season of seven interceptions with nine in '99. Carrying the football, Ramirez found the end zone 23 times and totaled 802 yards.

"He never came off the field," McDougall said. "He's a great contributor and a great leader. We'll miss him."

ROB FERNS, Athens: If his ball-carrying efforts fell short, Ferns turned to his leg to get the Red Hawks out of trouble. A 6-3, 210-pound senior, Ferns averaged 39 yards per punt attempt with a top effort of 71 yards. On offense, Ferns rushed for 323 yards and three scores, while on defense, he collected 80 tackles as a linebacker.

"Rob had a great ability to play everywhere on the field," Athens coach John Walker said. "As our team grew, he grew right along with it."

THE WEEK AHEAD

Below are the varsity sports schedules for high schools in the Clarkston, Lake Orion and Oxford areas. All times are subject to change, so please call the respective school before attending.

Sunday, Dec. 12
(No events scheduled)
Monday, Dec. 13
GIRLS VOLLEYBALL — Rochester

Adams at Lake Orion (6 p.m.); Ortonville-Brandon at Clarkston (6 p.m.)
HOCKEY — Birmingham at Clarkston (6 p.m.)

Tuesday, Dec. 14
BASKETBALL — Oxford Christian at Troy Bethany Christian JV (7 p.m.); Clarkston Springfield Christian at Clinton Township Faith Christian (6:30 p.m.); Lake Orion Shalom Baptist at Lansing Baptist (TBA);

Lake Orion at Auburn Hills Avondale (7 p.m.); Oxford at Macomb Dakota (7:30 p.m.); Clarkston at Pontiac Northern (7 p.m.)

VOLLEYBALL — Oxford Christian at Burton Valley Christian (4 p.m.); Clarkston Springfield Christian at Clinton Township Faith Christian (4 p.m.)

Wednesday, Dec. 15
VOLLEYBALL — Lake Orion at Royal

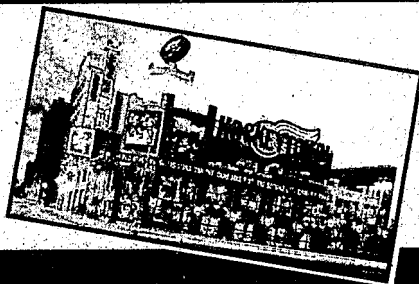
Oak Kimball (6:30 p.m.); Oxford at Owosso (6 p.m.)
GYMNASTICS — Clarkston-Waterford Unified at Birmingham Seaholm Quad (7 p.m.)

Thursday, Dec. 16
VOLLEYBALL — Oxford Christian at Troy Bethany Christian (6:30 p.m.)
SWIMMING — Auburn Hills Avondale at Clarkston (6:30 p.m.)

Friday, Dec. 17
BASKETBALL — Warren Baptist Christian at Oxford Christian (5:30 p.m.); Burton Valley Christian at Clarkston Springfield Christian (7 p.m.); Lake Orion Shalom Baptist at Burt Lake Northern Michigan Christian (7 p.m.); Mount Morris at Oxford (7:30 p.m.); Clarkston at Ferndale (7:30 p.m.)
WRESTLING — Clarkston, Lake Orion, Oxford at Oakland County Tournament

(TBA)
Saturday, Dec. 18
WRESTLING — Clarkston, Lake Orion, Oxford at Oakland County Tournament (TBA)
GIRLS COMPETITIVE CHEER — Lake Orion at CCCAM Invitational (TBA)
VOLLEYBALL — Oxford at Goodrich Invitational (9 a.m.)

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Jim Grubbs	Birmingham Groves	OL
Mike Preston	Avondale	OL
Brian Smith	Waterford Mott	OL
Jason Tueni	WL Western	OL
Brendan Hart	Brother Rice	TE
Jeremy Battier	Country Day	WR
Mike Crawford	Lake Orion	WR
Cody Cargill	WL Western	RB
Nathan Davis	Waterford Kettering	RB
Mark Goebel	Brother Rice	RB
Mark Abro	Troy Athens	QB
Brad Humphrey	Waterford Kettering	QB
Blake Dobson	Birmingham Groves	PK

FIRST TEAM DEFENSE

PLAYER	SCHOOL	POS.
Ryan Clement	Clarkston	DL
Mike Godlew	Birmingham Groves	DL
Matt Kroge	Troy	DL
Delore Semaan	WL Western	DL
Matt Wohlgenuth	Lake Orion	DL
Eddie Hillery	Rochester	LB
Zak Keasey	Lake Orion	LB
James King	WL Western	LB
Garret Weston	Brother Rice	LB
Ryan Carruthers	Waterford Mott	DB
Jermaine Gonzales	St. Mary's	DB
Lorenzo Parker	WL Western	DB
Ron Ramirez	Birmingham Groves	DB
Rob Ferns	Troy Athens	P

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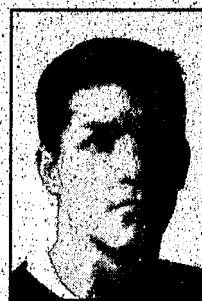
Al Fracassa	Brother Rice	31st year
Jim McDougall	Groves	7th year

SECOND TEAM OFFENSE - Linemen: Kyle Hoffecker, Seaholm; Clarence Klugh, Country Day; John Robinson, Clarkston; Matt Thoma, Rochester; Rick Tyzo, West Bloomfield. Tight end: Mike Brennan, Troy Athens. Wide receivers: Matt Mueller, Brother Rice; Jason Petiprin, Waterford Kettering; Tony Sharpe, Cranbrook. Running backs: Ricardo Brewster, Rochester; Jay Kline, Rochester Adams; Sheldon Sofer, Troy; Dorian Sutton, Groves. Quarterbacks: Earl Carruthers, Waterford Mott; Chris Payton, WL Western. Place-kicker: Chris Horger, Troy Athens.

SECOND TEAM DEFENSE - Linemen: Tim Meek, Seaholm; Jon Randall, Brother Rice; Chris Rose, Rochester Adams; Todd Saroki, WL Western; Tony Smith, Southfield-Lathrup. Linebackers: Jon Ager, Groves; Matt Bartkowiak, Avondale; Brian Jenkins, Southfield; Aaron Morrell, Country Day. Defensive backs: Rob Beckerman, Bloomfield Hills Andover; Nick Petcoff, Country Day; Clay Powell, Southfield; Bill Sharkey, Troy Athens. Punter: Harrison Burnham, Bloomfield Hills Lahser.

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This outgoing and friendly DBF, 42, 5'4", who enjoys music, reading and walks in the park, is ISO a serious and sincere SBM, 42-62, with similar interests, for a pleasant relationship. Ad# 7775

FOCUS HERE

This friendly SWF, 31, 5'6", who enjoys going to the movies, the outdoors and taking long walks, is seeking a fun-loving SWM, 30-36, who shares similar interests. Ad# 1706

JUST US

SWF, 35, 5'4", who enjoys fishing, sports and going to church, is looking forward to meeting a SWM, 29-41, for a possible relationship. Ad# 2814

HEART OF GOLD

Outgoing SWF, 59, 5'4", 125lbs., with auburn hair and green eyes, who enjoys antiques, home renovation and more, is looking for a SWM, over 55, for companionship. Ad# 1237

FOR KEEPS

This friendly, honest SWF, 45, 5'4", 149lbs., who enjoys bike riding, dining out and dancing, is interested in meeting up with a caring, sincere SWM, 38-55, who shares similar interests. Ad# 4240

BIG-HEARTED

This friendly SWF, 37, 5'9", with black hair and brown eyes, who enjoys gardening, dining out and traveling, is looking for a SM, 35-45, to spend quality time with. Ad# 1361

A SIMPLE REQUEST

Make a new friend by calling this DWCM mom, 40, 5'8", who's looking for someone to share her interests with. If you're an outgoing SWCM, 35-45, who enjoys walking, camping, bicycling and watching movies, then you could be a perfect match for each other. Ad# 8191

STILL SEARCHING

Semi-retired, spontaneous DWCF, 65, 5'7", with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys photography, traveling, cooking and baking, is in search of an honest SWCM, 60-69, who loves the Lord. Ad# 4444

FOCUS HERE

She is a friendly, attractive SWF, 52, 5'7", 125lbs., with auburn hair and hazel eyes, whose interests include hiking, biking and boating. She's looking for a handsome, intelligent SWM, 52-62, who lives life to the fullest. Ad# 6262

CAPTURE MY ATTENTION

This outgoing SWF, 30, 5'2", 110lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys jogging, reading and working out, is seeking an open-minded, honest SWM, 28-38, for a possible long-term relationship. Ad# 2469

CHARISMATIC CHRISTIAN

Spirit-filled, warm-hearted and employed DWCM mother, 35, 5'5", is seeking a companionable, commitment-minded SWCM, 25-48, who shares her dedication to church and enjoys family activities. Ad# 7764

FAITH & HOPE

An educated SWPF, 50, who likes cultural events, listening to music, and reading, is seeking an intelligent, mature SWPM, for a possible relationship. Ad# 1998

MEET YOU HALFWAY

She's an outgoing, attractive SWF, 51, 5'4", medium build, blond hair, brown eyes, who enjoys music, dancing, long walks, and the theater. Her heart is open to share happiness and romance with a thoughtful, considerate SWM, 46-56, Ad# 5614

REBUILDING HER LIFE

Catholic DWCF, 45, 5'2", 118lbs., with dark brown curly hair, a N/S, is looking for the right person, a considerate, respectful Catholic SWM, 40-50, who values his faith and family. She enjoys bowling, movies and a lot of friends. Ad# 5642

IS IT FATE?

This friendly SWF, 52, 5'3", who enjoys dining out, concerts and quiet nights at home, is seeking a SWM, 46-57, who has a good sense of humor. Ad# 2345

CIRCLE THIS

Adventurous SWF, 35, 5'5", is seeking an honest, marriage-minded SWM, 30-38, who enjoys golf, fishing and dining out. Ad# 4528

KNOWS WHAT SHE WANTS

Pretty DWCM mom, 44, 5'4", 145lbs., with light brown hair and hazel eyes, a N/S, non-drinker, is seeking happiness with an easygoing, family-oriented DWCM, under 54. She enjoys swimming, movies, bowling, and reading. Ad# 4108

BORN-AGAIN

This vibrant DWCF, 55, 5'7", a blue-eyed blonde, is a member of the choir who enjoys praise and worship, youth ministry, church activities, and seeks fellowship with a similar SWCM, 56-62. Ad# 5144

ONCE IN A LIFETIME

Attractive, personable Catholic SWF, 38, 5'4", with brown hair/eyes, is seeking an outgoing, sincere and handsome Catholic SWM, 33-44, who enjoys tennis, sporting events, reading and horseback riding. Ad# 6684

VIVACIOUS

Active, energetic DBCF, 58, 5'4", is seeking a childless, healthy SBM, 58-69, for a possible LTR. Her interests include church, movies, and more. Ad# 1103

TO THE POINT

SWCF, 39, 5'5", full-figured, with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys horseback riding, swimming, and more, is looking for a sweet, sincere SWM, over 30. Ad# 2220

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Outgoing, Born-Again SWCF, 43, full-figured, who enjoys music, swimming, singing, bible study, and more, is seeking a SWCM, 40-50, N/S, without dependents. Ad# 1956

LIFE GOES ON

This friendly, sincere SWF, 47, 5'4", who enjoys meeting new people, dancing, and walks in the park, is looking forward to meeting an upbeat SWM, 44-50, who shares similar interests. Ad# 2652

DEDICATED

She's a never-married SBF, 33, 5'9", N/S, non-drinker, who is looking for a sweet, sincere SWM, over 34. Ad# 1980

HERE SHE IS...

This caring DWCF, 51, 5'1", is a lady who enjoys church activities, her work, and would like to meet a similar SWCM, 49-62. Ad# 1665

IS IT YOU?

This friendly SBF, 39, 5'6", who enjoys movies, dining out, theater and travel, is hoping to meet a loving, family-oriented SM, 33-50, who shares similar interests and has a good sense of humor. Ad# 4581

WORKS & PLAYS HARD

Attractive, ambitious, secure DWPC mom, 36, 5'5", with blonde hair and green eyes, loves working out, outdoor activities and reading. She's looking for a SCM physician, 36-48, who will treat her well. Ad# 8888

HEAVEN SENT

This friendly SWF, 47, 5'9", whose interests include gardening, travel, taking walks in the park and camping, is looking to meet an honest, gentle SWM, 35-50, who likes children. Ad# 6561

SHARE MY FAITH

This churchgoing SWCF, 57, 5'7", wants to meet a tall, caring, sincere SWCM, 57-69, who enjoys hiking and the outdoors. Ad# 7575

TIME TO GET TOGETHER

Her dream is sharing a romantic, long-term relationship with an outgoing, sincere, handsome, SWM, 40-55 who enjoys biking, taking walks, music, and dancing. Be sure to let this very lovely, quite charming SWF, 43, know you're interested! Ad# 9915

THE BEST THERE IS

Never-married, attractive SWF, 36, 5'2", with red hair and green eyes, who enjoys sports, music, traveling and playing cards, is ISO a kind-hearted SWM, 30-45, with similar interests. Ad# 6354

END MY SEARCH

Creative, educated and Jewish, I am a DWCF, 55, 5'6", slender, with blonde hair and light blue eyes, who enjoys cooking and movies. I am looking for a communicative SWM, over 46, who knows what he wants. Ad# 2525

SIMPLY PUT

Romantic SWF, 60, 5'2", 118lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys dancing, travel, the theater, long walks and more, would like to meet a trustworthy SWM, 55-65, with similar interests. Ad# 5555

IS IT FATE?

Say hello to this personable SWCF, 38, 5'7", who enjoys cooking, jazz music and traveling. Her heart is set on sharing a long-term relationship with a responsible, handsome SWM, 36-47. Ad# 9455

SO MUCH FUN TO BE HAD

This SWF, 21, 5'7", would like to spend time with a fun-loving SWM, 21-30, who likes children and sports. Ad# 1098

HERE'S YOUR CHANCE

Fun-loving DWCF, 47, 5'5", who enjoys sports, the outdoors and gardening, is seeking a sincere, dependable SWCM, 43-51, for companionship. Ad# 4488

FRESH START

Hardworking, Catholic DWCF, 48, 5'3", who enjoys walking, movies and going to church, is looking for a compatible, caring, Catholic WWWW, 48-52, without children at home, for friendship first. Ad# 3907

COMPANIONSHIP

Outgoing, honest and fun-loving, describes this Catholic DWCF, 50, 5'9", looking for friendship with a Catholic SWM, 45-55. Ad# 4536

LET'S CUDDLE

Catholic DWCF, 59, 5'2" 125lbs., with blonde hair and green eyes, who enjoys family barbecues, picnics and more, seeks a Catholic, Italian SWM, 51-61. Ad# 1992

A RARE FIND

Sincere, compassionate SWF, 58, 5'4", full-figured, who enjoys music, Bible studies, traveling, movies, long walks, and more, is looking for a caring, compassionate SWM, 54-62. Ad# 7141

A RARE FIND

Compassionate DWPC mom of one, 47, 5'3", with reddish-brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys movies, concerts, walking, biking, travel, dancing and dining out, wants to meet a family-oriented SWCM, 42-52. Ad# 8317

UP FOR IT ALL

Friendly DWCF, 52, 5'10", with blonde hair and brown eyes, who enjoys sports, rollerblading and just keeping active, is seeking an easygoing, monogamous SWCM, 48-60. Ad# 3747

WORTH A TRY

Friendly, spiritual SWM, 43, 5'9", who enjoys nature, flea markets and movies, is looking for a kind-hearted SWF, 29-49, to share interests with. Ad# 4500

AGED TO PERFECTION

Always having integrity and style, this handsome DWCM, 49, 5'10", knows how to entertain. He's searching for an attractive, sincere SWCF, 39-53, to share love with. Ad# 5454

AWAITING YOUR RESPONSE

Outgoing, friendly, attractive Catholic WWWPM, 31, 6'1", who enjoys sports, ball games and a variety of other activities, is seeking a WWA/WBCF, 18-55, with no children. Ad# 1965

LEAVE A MESSAGE

Professional SWM, 40, 6', 190lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys camping, the theater and going for long walks, is seeking a SWCF, 26-38. Ad# 6789

CELEBRATE LIFE

Shy SWM, 31, 5'10", 220lbs., who enjoys camping, hiking, long walks and movies, is seeking a fun-loving, family-oriented SF, 25-35, who has old-fashioned values. Ad# 1018

A GOOD MAN

Shy, nice-looking DWCM dad, 37, 6', with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys the outdoors, is looking to share movies, family activities and a lasting friendship with an independent, petite SWCF, 30-45. Ad# 6683

CONTACT ME

This friendly SB dad, 37, 5'11", who enjoys taking long walks, going to the movies and bike riding, is seeking a SF, who likes children. Has he found you? Ad# 4194

SHORT BUT SWEET

Friendly, never-married SBM, 38, 6'1", who is seeking a slender, outgoing, degreed SF, under 44, for dating first. Ad# 9317

A PEACEFUL MAN

Never-married, caring, handsome SBM, 28, 6', is in search of a down-to-earth, true SWF, 40-50, who has God in their life. Ad# 4278

AN ANGEL

Outgoing, attractive SWM, 33, 5'6", 140lbs., with dark brown hair/eyes, who enjoys walks, good conversation, fishing, and more, is looking for an ambitious SWF, 24-36, who shares similar interests, for friendship first. Ad# 6321

INTERESTED

Here's a friendly SWM, 48, 5'7", who likes quiet evenings at home, trying new things and traveling. He's seeking a SWF, under 52, to share life and interests with. Ad# 4374

JOYS OF LIFE

He's a friendly SWPM, 58, 6'3", who enjoys renovating houses, dining out and more. He is in search of a caring, sincere SWF, 45-55, who shares his type of lifestyle. Ad# 1939

FRIENDSHIP FIRST

Never-married SWPM, 37, with dark hair/eyes, who enjoys the theater, auto shows and music, is seeking a kind, caring SWF, for possible relationship. Ad# 1260

SOMEONE SPECIAL FOR ME

Shy and reserved, this never-married, college-educated SBPCM, 36, 5'5", 150lbs., 5'5", is ISO a never-married SCF, 25-39, with no children, who loves the Lord, to have a great time. Ad# 4949

WALK DOWN THE AISLE

Romantic, Catholic SWPM, 40, 6'1", who enjoys a wide range of interests, is seeking a marriage-minded, family-oriented, slender SWF who is athletically inclined. Ad# 1515

MARRIAGE ON HIS MIND

Take a minute to read about this wonderful DWCM, 60. If you're a DWCF, 45-55, who enjoys, family times, picnics, country music and more, you're just one step away from meeting him. Ad# 1445

JUST YOU AND I

Athletic SWM, 40, 6'1", enjoys jogging, biking, and playing golf, is seeking that one special, goal-oriented, compassionate, slender SWF, for a long-term monogamous relationship leading to marriage. Ad# 2739

COMMON BOND

This outgoing SWM, 26, 5'10", 170lbs., who enjoys martial arts, movies and more, is interested in meeting a SF, to spend quality time with. Ad# 1580

HAVE YOU SEEN...

My best friend? This shy SWCM, 28, 5'11", 160lbs., who enjoys boating, working out and the outdoors, is seeking a SCF, 20-35, who shares similar interests. Ad# 2727

LISTEN TO ME

Outdoor activities and bowling are interests of this friendly, outgoing, educated SBPM, 36 He is looking to meet a sincere, loving, tall, attractive SBF, beautiful inside and outside, with a great smile. Ad# 8989

NEVER-MARRIED

SWCM, 26, 6', 165lbs., blond with blue eyes, a N/S, non-drinker, seeks a petite, smart SWCF, 19-26, who has good morals, long hair and likes candlelit dinners, movies and time together. Ad# 1777

SEARCHING

Outgoing, friendly DWCM, 48, 5'7", with long brown hair, who enjoys street rods, the outdoors and concerts, is seeking a sweet, kind-hearted SWCF, 40-50. Ad# 6900

WANT TO HEAR MORE? CALL

Friendly, laid-back SWCM, 27, 5'8", who likes beach walks, movies and having fun, seeks a SWCF, 18-35, without children at home. Ad# 4523

A REAL TRUE HEART

This friendly SW dad, 35, 5'8", with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys singing, horseback riding and swimming, is looking for a SWF, 25-40, who has a good sense of humor. Ad# 1514

HEAVEN SENT

Delightful, handsome Catholic DWCM dad of one, 38, 6'4", 215lbs., who enjoys boating, family activities, baseball, music, movies and travel, is seeking a similar Catholic SWF, 30-40, height/weight proportionate. Ad# 4324

HIGH MORAL STANDARDS

Athletic, Catholic SWM, 24, 6'3", 250lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who plays a variety of sports and coaches Little League, is seeking a romantic, Catholic SWF, 21-30, who likes movies, quiet evenings, dining out and more. Ad# 5150

LET'S GET ACQUAINTED

Outgoing, friendly, caring, honest DWCM, 59, 6', 195lbs., with brown hair and green eyes, is ISO a slender-to-medium-built SWCF, 55-65, to get to know. Ad# 6211

ONLY THE BEST

Educated WWWCM, 49, 5'11", 195lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys boating, fishing, movies, fine dining and trying new things, is ISO an attractive, affectionate SCF, age unimportant. Ad# 9876

HONESTY COUNTS

Shy SWM, 42, 6', who enjoys sports, the theater, spending time with family and friends, seeks a slender, romantic SF, 30-45, for a possible relationship. Ad# 4123

IT'S FATE

Never-married SWPM, 40, 6'1", 190lbs., is looking for a fit, petite SW mom, 28-44, for a romantic, monogamous long-term relationship. Ad# 4251

LOOKING FOR MS. RIGHT

Catholic SWM, 42, 6'1", who enjoys sports and family activities, is seeking a sincere, Catholic SAF, under 45, for a long-term relationship. Ad# 2942

HONESTY COUNTS

Never-married, friendly SWM, 44, who enjoys Bible studies and outdoor activities, the theater and weekend getaways, is seeking a fit, pretty SWF. Ad# 4141

FAMILY-ORIENTED

Charming SWCM, 42, 6'1", who enjoys outdoor activities, the theater and dining out, is seeking a fun-loving SCF, for a LTR. Ad# 1414

HE COULD BE THE ONE

Catholic DWCM, 41, 5'6", of Italian heritage, who enjoys skiing and boating, wishes to meet a Catholic SWF, under 41, without children at home. Ad# 2015

ONCE IN A LIFETIME

Handsome SWPM, 36, 6', 180lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, is seeking an attractive SWCF who enjoys sports, movies, dining out and more. Ad# 1534

DOWN-TO-EARTH

He's a friendly Catholic DWCM dad of two, 46, 6', 180lbs., with brown hair, green eyes, and glasses, a smoker, who enjoys bowling, golfing, movies, and much more. He is seeking a SWF, 35-47, for a special, one-on-one, romantic relationship. Ad# 6569

FAITH & DEVOTION

Pleasant, never-married SWPCM, 42, 5'10", with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys fine dining, concerts, movies, sports and walking, is interested in meeting a compatible SWCF, under 37, N/S. Ad# 1111

FOCUS HERE

This friendly, handsome DWCM, 46, 5'11", who enjoys most sports, traveling and comedy clubs, is seeking a fun-loving, attractive SWF, 33-44, who shares similar interests. Ad# 1301

Thanks to SUVs, Mercedes and Lexus take lead in luxury sales

By JUSTIN HYDE
AP AUTO WRITER

DETROIT (AP) — For the first time in the history of the American auto industry, a year will end with a foreign automaker claiming the title of best-selling luxury brand.

Mercedes-Benz and Lexus are on track to finish 1999 by out-selling last year's winner, Lincoln, and the title holder for the previous 48 years, Cadillac, thanks largely to demand for what was once a uniquely American product — the sport utility vehicle.

And the success of those models, along with a growing audience of aging Baby Boomers hitting their career peaks, has other automakers aiming at the luxury market.

"I don't think there's an irrevocable shift away from domestic

manufacturers, but the market is moving away from the products domestic manufacturers have traditionally built," said analyst Greg Salchow with Raymond James & Associates.

Mercedes, a division of DaimlerChrysler AG, had sold 170,319 vehicles through November, 1,294 more than Lexus, an arm of Toyota Motor Co. Cadillac and Lincoln trailed a few thousand vehicles behind.

Mercedes' sales are up 10 percent for the year, with its CLK coupes and convertibles and S-Class sedans picking up the most customers. Ken Enders, the vice president of marketing for Mercedes-Benz USA, said the luxury title would be a nice bonus, but wasn't the company's goal.

"We're really, really very focused on maintaining our

integrity while we grow the business, and we're not willing to jeopardize that part of our strategy to come to some fictitious number," he said.

Cadillac, a division of General Motors Corp., conceded last year that it would probably not gain the title back until after 2001. Cadillac General Manager John Smith said this year's sales were depressed by a number of factors: a switch to longer leases two years ago that cut into renewals, and the slow launch of a redesigned DeVille, its top seller.

"This is a little more difficult year for us than most," he said, suggesting that the brand's strength has been ebbing slowly for the better part of 20 years. "We're not going to win it back in a year."

The title could have belonged

to Lexus, but Toyota is straining to meet demand, especially for its RX 300, a \$33,000 SUV. Lexus sales are up 21 percent this year, and the company out-sold all luxury brands for the first 10 months of 1999.

The RX 300 has proved wildly popular with luxury buyers who want the riding height, interior room and all-wheel-drive of a truck but prefer the smoother ride and seating comfort of a sedan.

Lexus had imported 65,664 through November, an 80 percent increase over last year, and more than the Mercedes M-Class SUVs built in Alabama. While automakers usually aim to have a 60-day inventory of vehicles, the inventory of RX 300s in the United States had dropped to 3 days at the end of November.

"They've really redefined the way people are designing SUVs for the luxury market," said Susan Jacobs, an industry analyst who specializes in luxury sales. "Mercedes-Benz made a big breakthrough with their M-class, but it was still closer to the truck camp than the car camp in concept. For that reason, it wasn't as big a success as the RX 300."

Customers seem to agree.

Joel Irwin of Houston considered about 20 different SUVs before narrowing his choices to the RX 300 and the Isuzu Trooper earlier this year. But he was turned off by the Trooper's spare tire mounted on the rear hatch, and figured the RX 300 had just enough off-road capability to satisfy his needs.

"When I thought about the

fact that I'm going to spend a lot of time commuting, the luxury aspect of the RX 300 was more appealing," Irwin said.

Chuck Littig of Milwaukee said he had held off shopping for an SUV until Mercedes came out with its M-Class.

"It seemed to be what I was looking for — a luxury car interior in an SUV with a car-like ride," he said. "But I was disappointed in the appearance, and the interior wasn't what I expected." He bought an RX 300 about two months ago.

Many automakers — including Cadillac, Honda, Volkswagen and Porsche — are all planning their own car-like SUVs in the next few years. Its not just SUVs; Jacobs estimates that of the 113 all-new models coming out in the next four years, 53 will be luxury cars.

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When it comes to kids, seat belts won't do

BY KEN VAN STEENKISTE

STAFF WRITER

Consider this scenario: You're taking your two toddlers out for a kids for a quick chomp and a romp at the local fast-food play land.

You put them in the back seat of your car, buckle them up, and off you go.

Sounds pretty routine, Right? Well, perhaps it shouldn't.

What you don't know about buckling your children up can hurt them. Ill-fitting safety restraints are a major factor contributing to injuries and deaths when children are involved in car crashes.

Current laws in Michigan are slowly beginning to reflect this fact that has been apparent to safety and medical professionals for years — putting a small body into seat belts designed for adults can be deadly. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 479 children ages 5 through 9 years old were killed in car crashes in 1997.

That number shrank to 196 in 1998, in part due to increased awareness of the do's and don't of seat belt use. But officials know even more lives could be spared.

"A substantial portion of those children could have been saved through better use of safety restraints," explained Tim Hurd, a NHTSA spokesperson.

According to Constance Kangas, a registered nurse at William Beaumont hospital, many parents simply don't know that their children may be in danger.

Current Michigan law states that children under the age of 4 years old must be restrained in a child safety seat. Many children older than four are still too small for seat belts, but because the law makes no further distinction parents assume seat belts are safe, Kangas said.

Kangas, a registered nurse, has spent 12 years working in William Beaumont Hospital's pediatric emergency room in Royal Oak. She's also a NHTSA-



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HOFFMEYER

Sitting tight: Marla Van Daele of Troy uses a safety seat for her 2-year-old son, Julian, preparing for a trip home from the grocery store. Safety seats like Julian's can save lives, as long as they're used correctly.

certified child restraint safety inspector and has seen first hand the injuries that buckling a small child into a seat belt can cause.

"Belts are designed for adults. The lap belts are made to ride across the strong, solid parts of the body like the hips and thighs," Kangas explained.

However, many children are simply too small for adult-sized restraints. The belts end up riding across the children's lower abdomen.

"That's when kids get into trouble," Kangas said.

If a child is thrown forward in a crash the belt can cut into her belly, causing injuries to any one of many vital organs. Emergency room personnel are all too familiar with these wholly preventable injuries.

"Seat belts can cause ruptured spleens and bladders, intestinal injuries and even liver injuries depending on how high they're riding," Kangas said.

Another common symptom of ill-fitting seat belts is a phenomenon Kangas describes as "submarining." "That's when a child slips below the belt and flies right out of the seat," she explained.

Revised Michigan seat belt regulations which take effect April 1, 2000 attempt to address these alarm-

ing possibilities. Under the new law, children under 40 pounds must be restrained with some type of safety device such as a booster — which adjusts the child's height to fit the regular seat belt — or a safety seat.

In the meantime, Kangas and others NHTSA safety inspectors are trying "to put the word out" to parents that they need to invest in restraint devices, even for larger kids between 40 and 80 pounds.

Kangas gives regular clinics on how to use booster seats through Beaumont hospital and said she has been "literally flooded" with request from parents to demonstrate the proper way to utilize the restraints.

Parents interested in having their restraints reviewed can call William Beaumont Hospital's Public Relations department at (248) 551-0770 to contact Kangas or another NHTSA-certified inspector.

For more information on the types of safety restraints available and which may be appropriate for your child, call NHTSA at (202) 366-9835. Information is also available online at www.nsc.org or www.nhtsa.dot.gov/people/injury/childps/index.html.

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Four-year carpentry program seeks motivated apprentices

By RENEE SKOGLUND
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The Detroit Carpenters Apprenticeship Program is looking for a few good men and women who enjoy working with their hands and are willing to invest four years in a comprehensive training program.

The program is certified through the federal government's Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training and the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America.

The work is hard, but the rewards are great. "You have to want it, I can't phrase it any other way. But there's no reason why at the end of four years when you graduate, you can't make between \$40,000 and \$60,000 a year and upwards of \$80,000," said Ron Conrad, director of Detroit Carpenters Apprenticeship School in Ferndale.

According to Conrad, the 58-year-old school has graduated over 6,000 apprentices. It currently enrolls 1,100 students, of whom 26 percent are minorities, including women. Classes start on a quarterly basis, but apprentices are accepted into the program at any time.

The program

Tuition, including books, costs about \$140 a quarter. The school is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization. "We only charge what we have to keep the lights on," said Conrad.

The program draws apprentices from all over southeastern Michigan, from the Ohio border to Port Huron and Flint. "We are the only union carpenter school in the area," said Conrad.

The program is conducted under the auspices of the Michigan Regional Council of Carpenters and Millwrights and involves 624 classroom hours and 5,600 hours of mandatory on-the-job training.

Course study includes mathematics for carpentry, builders level and transit, footing and foundations, framing and trim, metal studs and drywall, arc welding, and scaffold and safety training.

Apprentice carpenters attend school one day every two weeks. The other nine working days are spent in the field. The school day does not represent lost wages, said Conrad. "The day they come to school, the contractor pays them their full wage with all benefits."

According to the Detroit Carpenters Joint Apprenticeship Committee, during training the apprentice is paid an ascending scale of wages, starting from 44 percent of the journeymen scale to 85 percent for the final period of apprenticeship.

In addition to wages, apprentices receive the vacation; holiday, pension and insurance benefits included in a carpenter's gross day's pay for attending classes on a regular attendance day.

Graduate carpenters are prepared for several specialties: Commercial and residential, pile drivers, resilient floor layers, millmen, lathers, scaffold erection and dismantling, door-hardware installation, and solid-surface installation (including Corian installation).

Qualifications and benefits

Applicants must be at least 17 years old, have their high school diploma or GED certificate, and present their birth certificate and driver's license. They also must be employed by a union contractor and have a letter of sponsorship from that contractor.

Selection is made on the basis of the letter of sponsorship and qualifications, without regard to race, creed, national origin, sex or occupationally irrelevant physical requirements.

Currently, the school's youngest apprentice is 17 and the oldest is 54. "So you see, it's never too late," said Conrad.

The program wants applicants who know what they're getting into. "We don't give them a lot of eyewash. We tell them how it's going to be hot in the summer and cold in winter, but you can take a lot of pride in standing back and seeing what you've built."

The drop-out rate is 20-40 percent in the first year, said Conrad. "But if they make it through the first year, they stay. After that, we have a 1 to 2 percent rate."

While the Detroit Carpenters Apprenticeship School teaches job-hunting skills and helps its graduates obtain jobs, it's not an employment agency. "You have to get out and hustle and break into a career or you'll be sitting home with mom and dad," said Conrad.

The program is the beginning of a lifelong relationship, he emphasized. "We want them for the duration of the career, all the way to their retirement." Graduates are encouraged to come back to the school for journeymen upgrading.

Carpentry is no longer just about wood. Carpenters now build metal-stud homes, install solid surface materials, lay flooring over computer wires, and use plastics in trim instead of wood.

And, fortunately, employment is no longer seasonal; it's 12 months of the year. "There's always a demand for carpenters as long as people live under a roof," said Conrad.

The Detroit Carpenters Apprenticeship School is located at 1401 Farrow on five acres between Woodward and John R, two blocks south of Nine Mile in Ferndale. Classes run from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information, call (248) 541-2740.

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How companies can impress good job seekers

Q. Along with advice to job seekers on how best to present themselves, how about a column for employers addressing the same subject? - M.L.

A. Some employers haven't adjusted to the fact that this is a candidate's market and still expect job seekers to do all the selling.

In fact, many of the best potential employees have plenty of options. Questions like: Why should I consider hiring you? smack of an outdated arrogance left over from an era of high unemployment. Today, it is often the employer who stands to lose the most when an interview turns sour.

What impresses job seekers about organizations? What can a company do in the hiring process to make sure that a good candidate will stay interested in an opportunity?

First, develop a clear recruiting message. Basic to the idea of selling a product or idea (working for us) is the feature/benefit presentation.

What is it about the way the company operates that could work to the advantage of an employee? How do procedures, processes, policies - as illustrated with real life examples - make employees happy? It has to be more than just a good salary. The company down the street offers a good salary, too. Describe positives such as promotion possibilities, opportunities to expand into new disciplines or technologies, a commitment to performance reviews and

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subsequent adjustments to compensation for merit, job security (as evidenced by low turnover or very few lay-offs).

Touch on the unique and positive aspects of your culture such as flexibility in scheduling, professional and friendly communications, a pleasant or up atmosphere, easy access to a responsive boss. Even small companies that can't afford huge salaries can come up with a few good reasons to come on board.

Who is the first person from the company that a potential new hire meets? If it's a senior level applicant, make sure the chief interviewer isn't the nineteen-year-old Assistant Personnel Clerk.

Candidates are very conscious of the level of the employee doing the screening. From this, they draw conclusions about how they are being regarded. If it's an important job or when the candidate is a gem, try to get the big boss involved, even if it's just for a few minutes.

The facilitator or hiring coordinator needs to have a positive and professional demeanor. This might seem obvious, but many companies still give major recruiting responsibilities to employees who are humorless or completely lacking in charm. Some are even rude or arrogant. When I applied for one job several years ago, the interviewer spent thirty minutes on the phone with a mechanic at his marina while I squirmed uncomfortably at his desk. Select an interviewer who can occasionally cobble together a proper English sentence, show a little enthusiasm and maybe even make a stranger feel comfortable.

Make sure everyone involved in the recruiting process is singing the same tune. Every recruiter can recall an applicant who was told by one interviewer that the company promotes from within, while the next interviewer said that no one had been promoted since 1969.

Contradictions make applicants skeptical and frequently kill deals. While everyone doesn't have to say exactly the same thing, try to get general agreement on the major points in the marketing message.

Part of the presentation should include a few statements about the organization's weak points. I usually encourage applicants to exercise extreme caution in broaching negative subjects in their presentations.

But companies will always impress candidates with a healthy degree of candor. Here's what's good about us and here are a couple things that might not be to everyone's liking. This is where we are strong and these are the issues we need to work on. Recruits love this. It tells them that they are respected and that no one is trying to hide anything. It has the practical effect of minimizing surprises and helping poor matches screen themselves out.

Take the pressure off. Job seekers

hate being forced into a decision without all the facts or with a limited feel for the culture. Explain that, just as the company is thorough in selecting candidates, you expect them to be thorough in considering the opportunity. As a matter of policy, give them the option of returning for another visit even after they have received an offer. Be clear that your organization would prefer that a person make an informed - no go - decision rather than being under-informed and disappointed later.

Q. What is the single most important point you would make to someone like me who is struggling in her job search?

A. What if I asked my doctor for a single bit of advice to remedy any health problems I might have? He'd refuse and say that he needed to know the specific nature of my condition. In fact, he'd send me out for a bunch of expensive tests at various laboratories owned and

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Send questions or comments to George Hayes, Job Search, P.O. Box 2497, Southfield, MI 48037 or email geo@emplexcorp.com. Hayes is president of Emplex Corp., a recruiting and pre-employment testing firm, and a regular columnist.

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Minimum Qualifications: Bachelor's degree in Technical Education, Educational Administration, business or related field preferred. A minimum of ten years work experience in business/industry or a combination. Experience with multi-cultural students and staff preferred. Knowledge of industrial technology, ability to work as a team player in a multi-cultural diverse working environment. (more detailed information is available for this position on the OCC web site at www.oocc.edu)

Applicants must complete an application form. Requests for applications will be accepted through 4:30 pm on Monday, December 20, 1999. Contact the OCC Job Hotline (248) 540-1579 and refer to Position 99 M.S. - Bloomfield Hills24-90011.

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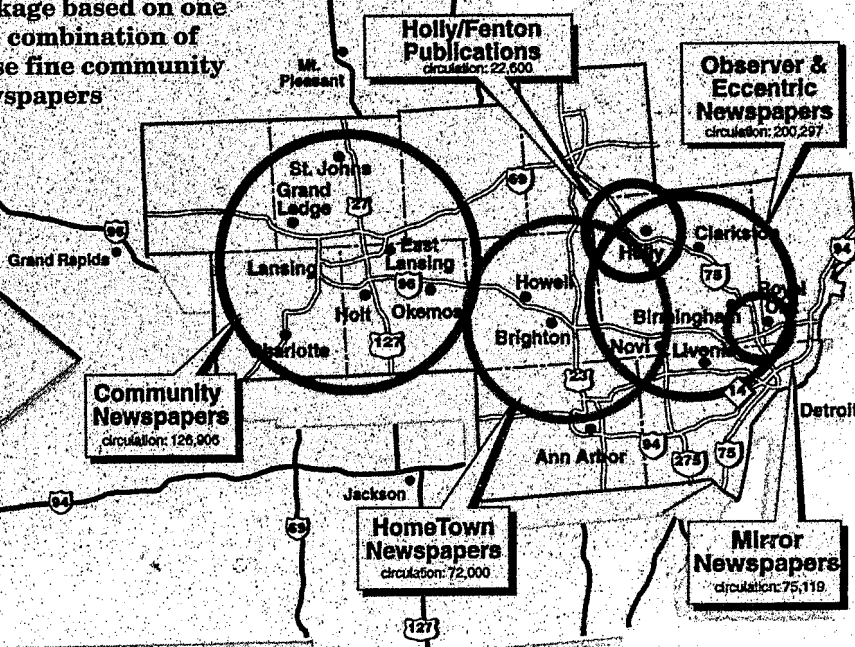


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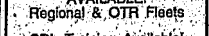
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Responsibilities include providing administrative support, project and litigation/arbitration support for the corporate counsel, docket control, word processing, file management and document production. Qualified candidates will have a minimum of two years management support experience and a bachelor's degree and/or legal assistant certificate. Knowledge of the securities industry is a plus.

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This position provides executive support for the general counsel. Primary responsibilities will include the scheduling, planning and coordination of departmental matters. Additional responsibilities include: support for the general counsel and/or legal assistant certificate. Knowledge of the securities industry is a plus.

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Peachwood Inn is now accepting applications for housekeepers and janitors. If you are the type of person who knows what "white glove" perfection is and take pride in your work apply for a position with our family.

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Experienced, one color Multi-process operator needed for health care organization based in Southfield. Full-time position with excellent fringe benefits. Immediate consideration for forward resume to:

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Human Resources
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P.O. Box 5153
Southfield, MI 48068-5153
EOE

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Novi area automotive supplier is seeking an automotive experienced manager to be responsible for scheduling, customer service, and contract reviews are performed & interface with customers to solve delivery concerns. APICS certification & degree preferred. Must have experience of MRP & EDI. Excellent communication/organizational skills. Outstanding benefits package & competitive pay. Please send resume & salary history to:

HR Manager, Argent Automotive, 41131 Vincent Ct., Novi, MI 48375

PROJECT COORDINATOR
Marketing Research firm in Birmingham seeks a detail oriented person to fill an opening for Project Coordinator. This person must have an excellent command of Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, and Access. Experience in project coordination, administration, proof reading and graphics a must. Salary commensurate with experience. Please send resume to:

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To supervise expanding apt. & commercial properties. Need experience in multiple site supervision & on-site management. Reply to: Churchill Development Co., 31807 Middlebelt Rd., #103, Farmington Hills, MI 48334

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OfficeMax
SECOND SHIFT WORKERS NEEDED

We currently have openings for energetic, hard working individuals who have one to two years of direct hands on experience, multi task oriented and can be flexible with their work hours. Order Processors: Picking, packaging and processing of orders starting at 11:00 a.m. Experienced hiko and cherry pickers also needed.

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Fax us at: 734-207-2085

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SENIOR TAX ASSOCIATE

Northern suburban CPA firm seeking highly motivated individuals with 6 to 8 years tax experience in a CPA firm. Candidate should possess good computer skills. Must be a CPA, MST or JD preferred. Sophisticated clientele provides challenge and opportunity for the right individual. Salary commensurate with experience. Excellent benefits. Submit resume to: Personnel, 1894-A Woodward Ave., PMB 253, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302.

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WRITER (FULL TIME) needed for Livingston County based business publication. Must be deadline-oriented with ability to handle multiple projects. Photography skills a plus. Send three published samples, resume and salary history to: Business Journal, P.O. Box 260, Brighton, MI 48116.

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It'll get cold outside soon



TED YKIMOFF

Properly winterizing your home is one of the most important things you can do to reduce the chance of weather-related problems later, and checking your furnace should be one of the first items on the list.

A professional should check for signs of improper combustion. In a gas furnace, signs can include soot around the bottom of the furnace and a pilot light with a yellow flame that tends to flicker. A properly burning furnace will have a steady blue flame.

You may want to consider replacing an older furnace. New models probably are more efficient. You could save hundreds of dollars a year off your heating bill by switching to a high-efficiency furnace.

If you want to buy a new furnace, we'll be glad to give you a quick referral to a Consumers Energy authorized contractor near you.

Other areas of your home need to be winterized include your attic, doors, and windows. Adequate insulation saves energy. Adding six inches of insulation to an uninsulated attic can save up to 30 percent. Caulk or weatherstrip your doors and windows. During the daytime when the sun is out, keep south-facing window treatments open to take advantage of the heat from the sun.

Here are some other tips to try:

- Turn your thermostat down one degree.

- Set humidity between 30 and 40 percent. Proper humidity allows you to be comfortable at lower temperatures, and it also helps prevent your woodwork and wood furniture from drying and cracking.

- Clean or replace your furnace filter once a month, especially during the heating season.

If you have any questions about winterizing your home, or you need a referral to a heating contractor in your area, call Consumers Energy at (800) 500-6565 (option 3).

Ted Ykimoff is in the customer solutions department of Consumers Energy.

Birmingham sees another condo conversion

All kinds of apartment-to-condominium conversions have occurred in Birmingham in recent years.

Michigan Condominium Corp., which has been through the drill here before, acquired the former Patterson Square Apartments and substantially renovated the lobby, hallways and individual units.

The three-story structure, featuring 10 residences at the corner of Oak and Old Woodward, has been renamed 450 Oak Condominium after its address.

Half a dozen units are still available. "We saw possibilities what we could do with the location and the way the building was maintained over the years," said P. Craig Cubba, vice president for Michigan Condominium.

"We did mostly cosmetic changes like we normally do. We redid the lobby, marble floor, fireplace, new furniture, artwork. In the hallways, new carpeting, wall coverings, paint, bright fixtures. All new landscaping," he added.

The units will be repainted and carpeted.

New kitchen appliances - oven, cooktop, refrigerator, microwave and dishwasher - will be installed, as well as cabinets, ceramic tile and Corian countertops in the kitchen.

New vanities and cabinets will be placed in the baths.

The all-brick building was constructed in the late 1950s, Cubba said.

"The previous owner replaced all the windows, put in some new kitchens and replaced some of the water heaters, furnaces and air-conditioning units, all in the last five years," he said.

Owners will find other aspects of 450 Oak Condominium attractive.

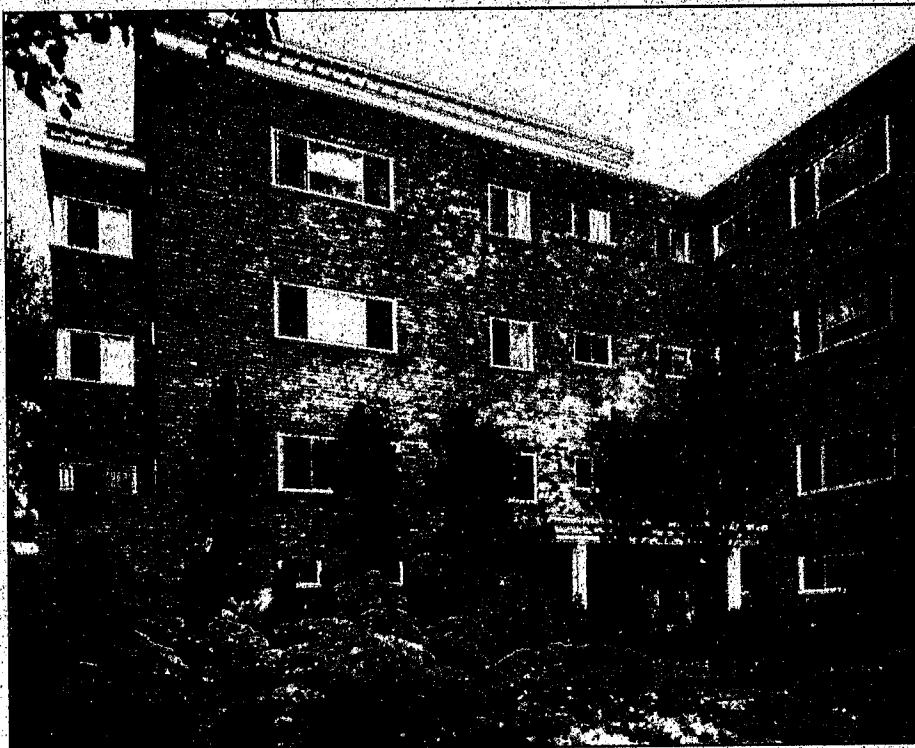
"You can drive right into the building into the garage and take the elevator right to your floor," Cubba said. "There's only three units on each floor."

"The building is well secured," said Gloria Phillips, sales representative. "The square footage for people coming in from larger homes is spacious. Once they park their cars, they don't have to go outdoors."

"I like the idea it's removed and pretty quiet from the (downtown), itself, but within walking distance," Phillips added. "You're close to everything."

"We've had a cross section of customers," Cubba said. "Parking was the one thing that attracted many."

Each unit gets one space in a garage. Additional carport spaces are for \$10,000.



450 Oak: This apartment-to-condominium conversion in Birmingham features an all-brick exterior.

What impresses visitors? "They're surprised at the square footage," Phillips said. "They like the setting, the lobby area. Landscaping - they always comment on."

"So many people comment on the building, itself," she added. "They can tell it's well-maintained. They talk about New York. It looks like New York."

"I think we're offering very good value for the money," Cubba said.

Base prices range from \$249,990 for a two-bedroom, two-bath unit of about 1,268 square feet to \$319,990 for a three bedroom, two-bath residence. The larger units range from 1,511 to 1,642 square feet.

An in-unit washer/dryer package upgrade runs \$5,000, crown moldings \$5,000 and six-panel doors with moldings, \$5,000.

Buyers who purchase their unit as-is receive a discount of \$20,000.

The model features an open living room, dining area, laundry built into the closet of one of the bedrooms and a

jack-and-jill bath between two other bedrooms. The model also contains a balcony.

The model with upgrades and extras carries a price of \$389,900.

Doug Stratton and his wife, Kaoru Chatani, bought a three-bedroom residence.

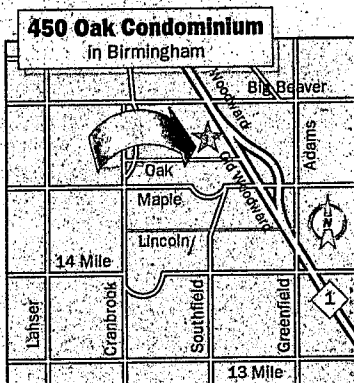
"Finding a location within walking distance to downtown Birmingham was a priority for us," Stratton said. "The location and, I think, affordability."

"We got the location in the building we really desired," he added. "We felt we got on the quiet side of the building."

450 Oak Condominium is within the Birmingham school boundaries.

The property tax rate is \$43.36 per \$1,000 of taxable value, half of purchase price for new construction. That means the owners a \$319,990 unit there would pay about \$6,950 the first year.

The monthly maintenance fee, which includes water and insurance, ranges



from \$226-\$293 depending on the size of the unit.

The sales model office at 450 Oak Condominium, (248) 645-2520 or (810) 634-3452, is open 1-5 p.m. daily, closed Thursdays.

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Compact home adapts to many family situations

A boldly columned covered porch and walkway wrap around the Lincoln, a distinctive compact home with a delightfully extensive and open central living area.

Vaulted ceilings add volume, creating a sense of spaciousness throughout, while the plan's nearly square footprint allows construction on a fairly small city lot.

Entering, you step into an exceptionally bright living area where living room, dining room and kitchen flow together in one large, comfortable space.

Generously placed Craftsman-style windows line two walls and fill a wide window bay that expands the dining area. Still more natural light washes down through two skylights, widely spaced.

When days are dreary and nights are long, the central fireplace offers solace, warmth and cheer. Some families enjoy savoring the scent and ritual of burning wood, while others prefer the ease and cleanliness of gas-fed flames. The choice is yours.

Storage and counter space are ample in a kitchen where the cooks and clean-up crew need never feel isolated. Working at the angled island, you can keep tabs on everything.

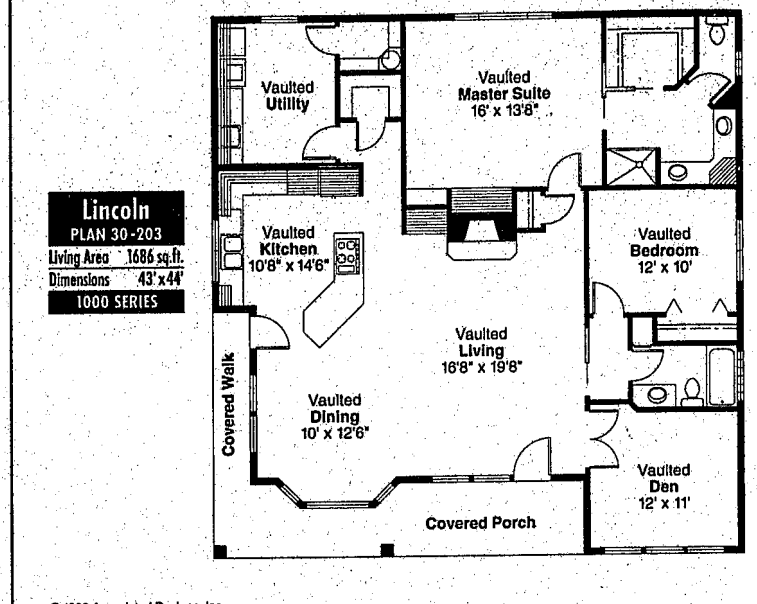
The large walk-in pantry is mere steps away, just outside a large utility room with counters, cabinets and a deep sink. Another walk-in closet at the rear offers additional storage.

The master suite has a wide bank of windows facing the rear yard. One pocket door sections off the bathroom from the sleeping area. Inside, another

seals off the walk-in closet, while a conventional door provides full privacy for the toilet. Twin lavs anchor the corner vanity.

The Lincoln is equally well-suited to the needs of young families, singles and empty nesters seeking to downsize. It's also easily adapted to wheelchair accessibility.

For a review plan, including scaled floor plans, elevations, section and artist's conception, send \$20 to Associated Designs, 1100 Jacobs Dr., Dept. W, Eugene, Ore. 97402. Please specify the Lincoln 30-203 and include a return address when ordering. A catalog featuring nearly 300 home plans is available for \$12. For more information call (800) 634-0123.



Trees need safe lights, water

Michigan Department of Consumer & Industry Services Director Kathy Wilbur urged families to enjoy a safer holiday by following these fire safety tips compiled by the CIS Office of Fire

Safety relating to Christmas trees.

1. When purchasing a live tree, check for freshness. A fresh tree is green, needles are hard to pull from branches and the needles do not break when bent

between your fingers.

The trunk is sticky with resin, and the tree should not lose many needles when bounced on the ground.

2. Choose a sturdy tree stand designed not to tip over and be sure to keep the stand filled with water.

3. Carefully plan where your tree will be positioned. Make sure the tree is at least three feet away from any source of heat, and place the tree out of the way of traffic. Don't block doorways.

4. Use only lights that have been tested for safety by a recognized testing laboratory. Follow the manufacturer's instructions on how to use tree lights.

Check each set of lights, new or old, for broken or cracked sockets, frayed or bare wires, or loose connections, and discard damaged sets. Use no more than three standard-size sets of lights per single extension cord.

5. When purchasing an artificial tree, look for the label "fire resistant," and never use electric lights on a metallic tree.

6. Never use lighted candles to decorate a tree.

7. Turn off all lights when you go to bed or leave the house. The lights could short out and start a fire.

Energy supplies adequate as cold season draws near

The outlook for winter fuel prices hinges on world oil prices, and there is considerable uncertainty in world oil markets, according to estimates from the Michigan Public Service Commission.

Overall, energy supplies are in good shape going into winter.

In summary: Increases in world crude oil prices have caused a sharp increase in gasoline prices.

Michigan gasoline prices have risen considerably since the low point at the

beginning of March 1999.

Self-serve unleaded regular gasoline sold in the Detroit area in early October at an average of \$1.262, which is 23.6 cents higher than the average price of \$1.026 a year ago. Prices remain in the high \$1.20s to low \$1.30s now.

There will be plenty of gasoline before and after New Year's, and so there is no reason for motorists to "top off" their gas tanks at the end of the year.

The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) agreed to reduce production earlier this year, and crude oil prices rose sharply.

For the next few months, petroleum markets are likely to remain volatile. Assuming prices hold near current levels, heating oil and propane users will see much higher heating bills this winter.

This is due to the 25-cent-per-gallon increase in world crude oil prices and the expected return to more normal winter temperatures from the warm temperatures during the last quarter of 1998.

Michigan electricity sales are expected to grow 3.4 percent for the 1999 calendar year, compared to the 3.0 percent increase seen in 1998.

No supply shortages or transmission constraints are expected to impact the ability of Michigan utilities to meet winter peak electric demand, which is normally about 30 percent lower than the summer peak demand.

For the coming months, new generating units and fewer plant outages in the Midwest place Michigan in a better position than last year.

Inventory levels should be sufficient to meet peak winter heating demands.

Prices for natural gas in the spot market rose dramatically beginning in late July. However, fuel prices have been frozen for gas customers of Michigan's three largest gas utilities (MichCon, Consumers Energy, and South-eastern) and won't be affected.

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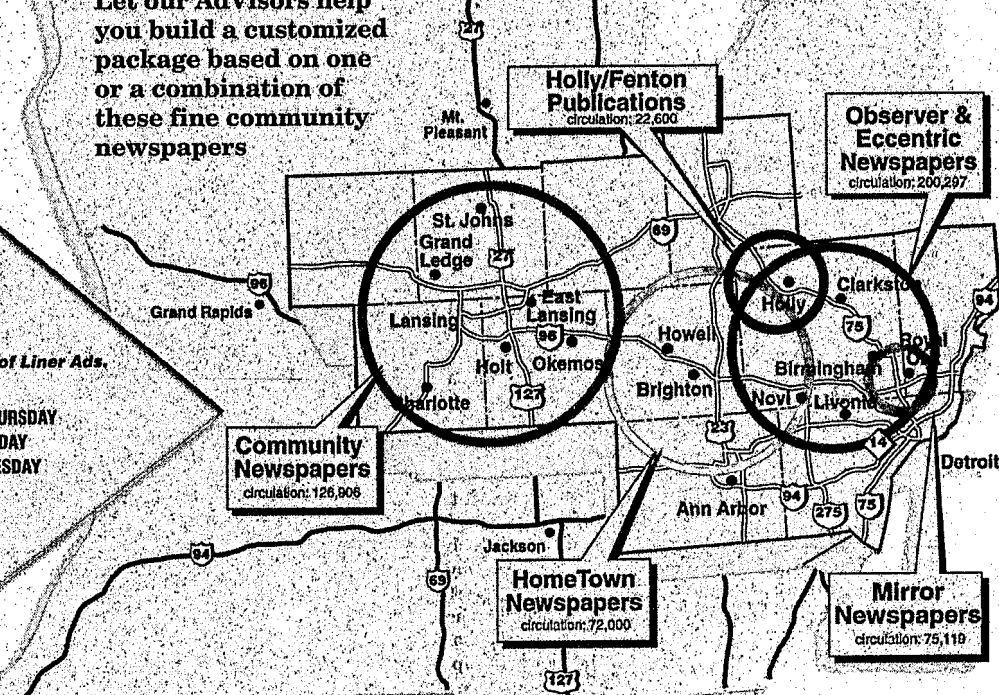


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TOO MUCH INTIMIDATION

Most buyers don't feel comfortable with a tour of the house that is personally conducted by the owner. Because the seller obviously takes pride in the house, the buyer is hesitant to criticize or communicate openly. Buyers like to stroll around the house at their own pace rather than being dragged along by an aggressive seller. Because of the pressurized uncomfortable atmosphere, the average buyer will want to escape as soon as possible, thus resulting in a failed showing.

ALL BUYERS ARE DIFFERENT

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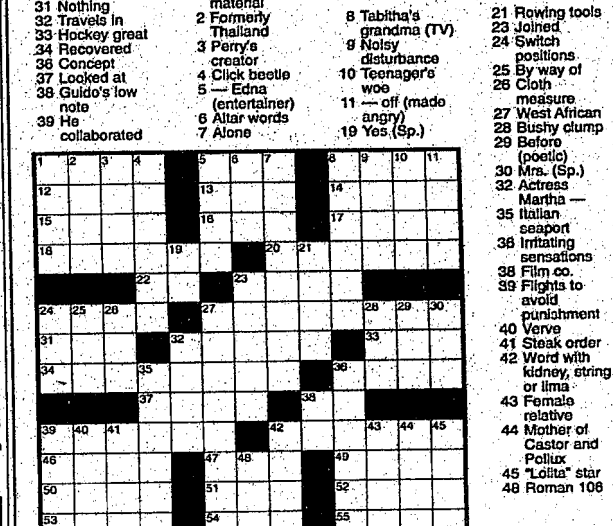
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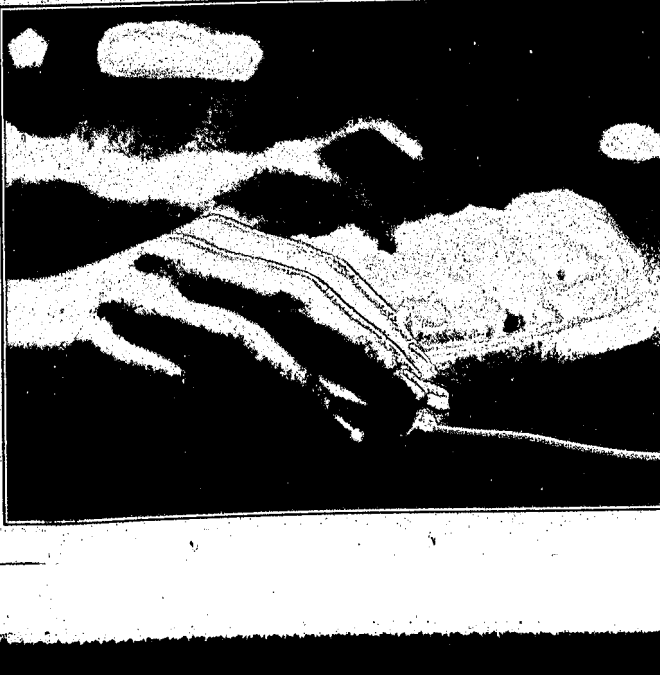
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Catholic DWCF, 45, 5'2", 118lbs., with dark brown curly hair, a N/S, is looking for the right person, a considerate, respectful Catholic SWM, 40-50, who values his faith and family. She enjoys bowling, movies and a lot of friends. Ad#5642

IS IT FATE?

This friendly SWF, 52, 5'3", who enjoys dining out, concerts and quiet nights at home, is seeking a SWM, 46-57, who has a good sense of humor. Ad#2345

CIRCLE THIS

Adventurous SWF, 35, 5'5", is seeking an honest, marriage-minded SWM, 30-38, who enjoys golf, fishing and dining out. Ad#4528

KNOWS WHAT SHE WANTS

Pretty DWCF mom, 44, 5'4", 145lbs., with light brown hair and hazel eyes, a N/S, non-drinker, is seeking happiness with an easygoing, family-oriented DWCM, under 54. She enjoys swimming, movies, bowling, and reading. Ad#4108

BORN-AGAIN

This vibrant DWCF, 55, 5'7", a blue-eyed blonde, is a member of the choir who enjoys praise and worship, youth ministry, church activities, and seeks fellowship with a similar SWCM, 56-62. Ad#5144

ONCE IN A LIFETIME

Attractive, personable Catholic SWF, 38, 5'4", with brown hair/eyes, is seeking an outgoing, sincere and handsome Catholic SWM, 33-44, who enjoys tennis, sporting events, reading and horseback riding. Ad#6684

VIVACIOUS

Active, energetic BDCF, 58, 5'4", is seeking a childless, healthy SBGM, 58-69, for a possible LTR. Her interests include church, movies, and more. Ad#1103

TO THE POINT

SWCF, 39, 5'5", full-figured, with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys horseback riding, swimming, and more, is looking for a sweet, sincere SWM, over 30. Ad#2220

LOVES THE LORD

Outgoing, Born-Again SWCF, 43, full-figured, who enjoys music, swimming, singing, bible study, and more, is seeking a SWCM, 40-50, N/S, without dependents. Ad#1956

LIFE GOES ON

This friendly, sincere SWF, 47, 5'4", who enjoys meeting new people, dancing, and walks in the park, is looking forward to meeting an upbeat SWM, 44-50, who shares similar interests. Ad#2652

DEDICATED

She's a never-married SBF, 33, 5'9", N/S, non-drinker, who is looking for a sweet, sincere SWM, over 34. Ad#1980

HERE SHE IS...

This caring DWCF, 51, 5'1", is a lady who enjoys church activities, her work, and would like to meet a similar SWCM, 49-62. Ad#1665

IS IT YOU?

This friendly SBF, 39, 5'6", who enjoys movies, dining out, theater and travel, is hoping to meet a loving, family-oriented SM, 33-50, who shares similar interests and has a good sense of humor. Ad#4581

WORKS & PLAYS HARD

Attractive, ambitious, secure DWPC mom, 36, 5'5", with blonde hair and green eyes, loves working out, outdoor activities and reading. She's looking for a SCM physician, 36-48, who will treat her well. Ad#8888

HEAVEN SENT

This friendly SWF, 47, 5'9", whose interests include gardening, travel, taking walks in the park and camping, is looking to meet an honest, gentle SWM, 35-50, who likes children. Ad#6561

SHARE MY FAITH

This churchgoing SWCF, 57, 5'7", wants to meet a tall, caring, sincere SWCM, 57-69, who enjoys hiking and the outdoors. Ad#7575

TIME TO GET TOGETHER

Her dream is sharing a romantic, long-term relationship with an outgoing, sincere, handsome SWM, 40-55 who enjoys biking, taking walks, music, and dancing. Be sure to let this very lovely, quite charming SWF, 43, know you're interested! Ad#9915

THE BEST THERE IS

Never-married, attractive SWF, 36, 5'2", with red hair and green eyes, who enjoys sports, music, traveling and playing cards, is ISO a kind-hearted SWM, 30-45, with similar interests. Ad#6354

END MY SEARCH

Creative, educated and Jewish, I am a DWCF, 55, 5'6", slender, with blonde hair and light blue eyes, who enjoys cooking and movies. I am looking for a communicative SWM, over 46, who knows what he wants. Ad#2525

SIMPLY PUT

Romantic SWF, 60, 5'2", 118lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys dancing, travel, the theater, long walks and more, would like to meet a trustworthy SWM, 55-65, with similar interests. Ad#5555

IS IT FATE?

Say hello to this personable SWCF, 38, 5'7", who enjoys cooking, jazz music and traveling. Her heart is set on sharing a long-term relationship with a responsible, handsome SWM, 36-47. Ad#9455

SO MUCH FUN TO BE HAD

This SWF, 21, 5'7", would like to spend time with a fun-loving SWM, 21-30, who likes children and sports. Ad#1098

HERE'S YOUR CHANCE

Fun-loving DWCF, 47, 5'5", who enjoys sports, the outdoors and gardening, is seeking a sincere, dependable SWCM, 43-51, for companionship. Ad#4488

FRESH START

Hardworking, Catholic DWCF, 48, 5'3", who enjoys walking, movies and going to church, is looking for a compatible, caring, Catholic WWWCM, 48-52, without children at home, for friendship first. Ad#3907

COMPANIONSHIP

Outgoing, honest and fun-loving, describes this Catholic DWCF, 50, 5'9", looking for friendship with a Catholic SWM, 45-55. Ad#4536

LET'S CUDDLE

Catholic DWCF, 59, 5'2", 125lbs., with blonde hair and green eyes, who enjoys family barbecues, picnics and more, seeks a Catholic, Italian SWM, 51-61. Ad#1992

A RARE FIND

Sincere, compassionate SWF, 58, 5'4", full-figured, who enjoys music, Bible studies, traveling, movies, long walks, and more, is looking for a caring, compassionate SWM, 54-62. Ad#7141

A RARE FIND

Compassionate DWPC mom of one, 47, 5'3", with reddish-brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys movies, concerts, walking, biking, travel, dancing and dining out, wants to meet a family-oriented SWCM, 42-52. Ad#8317

UP FOR IT ALL

Friendly DWCF, 52, 5'10", with blonde hair and brown eyes, who enjoys sports, rollerblading and just keeping active, is seeking an easygoing, monogamous SWCM, 48-60. Ad#3747

WORTH A TRY

Friendly, spiritual SWM, 43, 5'9", who enjoys nature, flea markets and movies, is looking for a kind-hearted SWF, 29-49, to share interests with. Ad#4500

AGED TO PERFECTION

Always having integrity and style, this handsome DWCM, 49, 5'10", knows how to entertain. He's searching for an attractive, sincere SWCF, 39-53, to share love with. Ad#5454

AWAITING YOUR RESPONSE

Outgoing, friendly, attractive Catholic WWWPM, 31, 6'1", who enjoys sports, ball games and a variety of other activities, is seeking a WWA/W/BCF, 18-55, with no children. Ad#1965

LEAVE A MESSAGE

Professional SWM, 40, 6', 190lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys camping, the theater and going for long walks, is seeking a SWCF, 26-38. Ad#6789

CELEBRATE LIFE

Shy SWM, 31, 5'10", 220lbs., who enjoys camping, hiking, long walks and movies, is seeking a fun-loving, family-oriented SF, 25-35, who has old-fashioned values. Ad#1018

A GOOD MAN

Shy, nice-looking DWCF dad, 37, 6', with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys the outdoors, is looking to share movies, family activities and a lasting friendship with an independent, petite SWCF, 30-45. Ad#6683

CONTACT ME

This friendly SB dad, 37, 5'11", who enjoys taking long walks, going to the movies and bike riding, is seeking a SF, who likes children. Has he found you? Ad#4194

SHORT BUT SWEET

Friendly, never-married SBM, 38, 6'1", who is seeking a slender, outgoing, degreed SF, under 44, for dating first. Ad#9317

A PEACEFUL MAN

Never-married, caring, handsome SBM, 28, 6', is in search of a down-to-earth, true SWF, 40-50, who has God in their life. Ad#4278

AN ANGEL

Outgoing, attractive SWM, 33, 5'6", 140lbs., with dark brown hair/eyes, who enjoys walks, good conversation, fishing, and more, is looking for an ambitious SWF, 24-36, who shares similar interests, for friendship first. Ad#6321

INTERESTED

Here's a friendly SWM, 48, 5'7", who likes quiet evenings at home, trying new things and traveling. He's seeking a SWF, under 52, to share life and interests with. Ad#4374

JOYS OF LIFE

He's a friendly SWPM, 58, 6'3", who enjoys renovating houses, dining out and more. He is in search of a caring, sincere SWF, 45-55, who shares his type of lifestyle. Ad#1939

FRIENDSHIP FIRST

Never-married SWPM, 37, with dark hair/eyes, who enjoys the theater, auto shows and music, is seeking a kind, caring SWF, for possible relationship. Ad#1260

SOMEONE SPECIAL FOR ME

Shy and reserved, this never-married, college-educated SBPCM, 36, 5'5", 150lbs., 5'5", is ISO a never-married SCF, 25-39, with no children, who loves the Lord, to have a great time. Ad#4949

WALK DOWN THE AISLE

Romantic, Catholic SWPM, 40, 6'1", who enjoys a wide range of interests, is seeking a marriage-minded, family-oriented, slender SWF who is athletically inclined. Ad#1515

MARRIAGE ON HIS MIND

Take a minute to read about this wonderful DWCM, 60, if you're a DWCF, 45-55, who enjoys, family times, picnics, country music and more; you're just one step away from meeting him. Ad#1445

JUST YOU AND I

Athletic SWM, 40, 6'1", enjoys jogging, biking, and playing golf, is seeking that one special, goal-oriented, compassionate, slender SWF, for a long-term monogamous relationship leading to marriage. Ad#2739

COMMON BOND

This outgoing SWM, 26, 5'10", 170lbs., who enjoys martial arts, movies and more, is interested in meeting a SF, to spend quality time with. Ad#1580

HAVE YOU SEEN...

My best friend? This shy SWCM, 28, 5'11", 160lbs., who enjoys boating, working out and the outdoors, is seeking a SCF, 20-35, who shares similar interests. Ad#2727

LISTEN TO ME

Outdoor activities and bowling are interests of this friendly, outgoing, educated SBPM, 36. He is looking to meet a sincere, loving, tall, attractive SBF, beautiful inside and outside, with a great smile. Ad#8989

NEVER-MARRIED

SWCM, 26, 6', 165lbs., blond with blue eyes, a N/S, non-drinker, seeks a petite, smart SWCF, 19-26, who has good morals, long hair and likes candlelit dinners, movies and time together. Ad#1777

SEARCHING

Outgoing, friendly DWCM, 48, 5'7", with long brown hair, who enjoys street rods, the outdoors and concerts, is seeking a sweet, kind-hearted SWCF, 40-50. Ad#6900

WANT TO HEAR MORE? CALL

Friendly, laid-back SWCM, 27, 5'8", who likes beach walks, movies and having fun, seeks a SWCF, 18-35, without children at home. Ad#4523

A REAL TRUE HEART

This friendly SW dad, 35, 5'8", with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys singing, horseback riding and swimming, is looking for a SWF, 25-40, who has a good sense of humor. Ad#1514

HEAVEN SENT

Delightful, handsome Catholic DWCF dad of one, 38, 6'4", 215lbs., who enjoys boating, family activities, baseball, music, movies and travel, is seeking a similar Catholic SWF, 30-40, height/weight proportionate. Ad#4324

HIGH MORAL STANDARDS

Athletic, Catholic SWM, 24, 6'3", 250lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who plays a variety of sports and coaches Little League, is seeking a romantic, Catholic SWF, 21-30, who likes movies, quiet evenings, dining out and more. Ad#5150

LET'S GET ACQUAINTED

Outgoing, friendly, caring, honest DWCM, 59, 6', 195lbs., with brown hair and green eyes, is ISO a slender-to-medium-built SWCF, 55-65, to get to know. Ad#6211

ONLY THE BEST

Educated WWWCM, 49, 5'11", 195lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys boating, fishing, movies, fine dining and trying new things, is ISO an attractive, affectionate SCF, age unimportant. Ad#9876

HONESTY COUNTS

Shy SWM, 42, 6', who enjoys sports, the theater, spending time with family and friends, seeks a slender, romantic SF, 30-45, for a possible relationship. Ad#4123

IT'S FATE

Never-married SWPM, 40, 6'1", 190lbs., is looking for a fit, petite SW mom, 28-44, for a romantic, monogamous long-term relationship. Ad#4251

LOOKING FOR MS. RIGHT

Catholic SWM, 42, 6'1", who enjoys sports and family activities, is seeking a sincere, Catholic SAF, under 45, for a long-term relationship. Ad#2942

HONESTY COUNTS

Never-married, friendly SWM, 44, who enjoys Bible studies and outdoor activities, the theater and weekend getaways, is seeking a fit, pretty SWF. Ad#4141

FAMILY-ORIENTED

Charming SWCM, 42, 6'1", who enjoys outdoor activities, the theater and dining out, is seeking a fun-loving SCF, for a LTR. Ad#1414

HE COULD BE THE ONE

Catholic DWCM, 41, 5'6", of Italian heritage, who enjoys skiing and boating, wishes to meet a Catholic SWF, under 41, without children at home. Ad#2015

ONCE IN A LIFETIME

Handsome SWPM, 36, 6', 180lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, is seeking an attractive SWCF who enjoys sports, movies, dining out and more. Ad#1534

DOWN-TO-EARTH

He's a friendly Catholic DWCF dad of two, 46, 6', 180lbs., with brown hair, green eyes, and glasses, a smoker, who enjoys bowling, golfing, movies, and much more. He is seeking a SWF, 35-47, for a special, one-on-one, romantic relationship. Ad#6569

FAITH & DEVOTION

Pleasant, never-married SWPCM, 42, 5'10", with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys fine dining, concerts, movies, sports and walking, is interested in meeting a compatible SWCF, under 37, N/S. Ad#1111

FOCUS HERE

This friendly, handsome DWCM, 46, 5'11", who enjoys most sports, traveling and comedy clubs, is seeking a fun-loving, attractive SWF, 33-44, who shares similar interests. Ad#1301

DELIGHTFUL

Never-married Catholic SWM, 50, 5'11", 180lbs., who is active in his church choir, enjoys children, dancing, walking, movies, music and good conversation. He wants to meet a SWCF, under 50, for a long-term relationship. Ad#3580

MIXED BLESSING

He's an outgoing, employed DWJM, 44, 5', who enjoys sports, bowling and movies, ISO a commitment-minded Catholic SWF, 39-49. Ad#2251

CALL ME SOON

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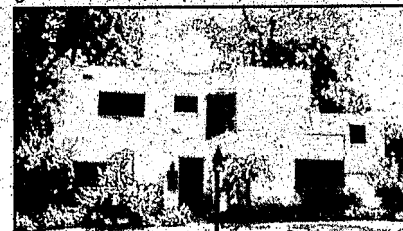
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