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**Joan Kopietz
Named to
Oakland County
Cultural Council**

By action of the Oakland County Board of Commissioners, Joan Kopietz was named to the 20-member Oakland County Cultural Council. Mrs. Kopietz, owner of Tierra Arts and Design, was formerly the resource representative to the council for the Village of Clarkston and Independence Township.

Mrs. Kopietz is active in village business affairs and with the local arts council, which is in the planning stages once more for Artrain, due the first week in June.



**Lew Wint
Elected
Chairman
Oakland
County
Parks & Rec.**

Lewis E. Wint has been named chairman of the Oakland County Parks and Recreation Commission. He succeeds E. Frank Richardson.

Wint owns the Lewis E. Wint Funeral Home on Ortonville Road in Clarkston. He has been a member of the Parks and Recreation Commission for several years. He has also served as President of the North Oakland Chamber of Commerce and the Clarkston Rotary Club.

To Contract or Not To Contract With Sheriff's Department

That is the Question to be Discussed at Independence's Meeting

By Kathy Greenfield

"Come early and get a seat," Chris Rose, Independence Township Clerk said. "I imagine it will be crowded. I heard the fire department, local police department, and Oakland County Sheriff's Department will be there."

The Independence Township Board meeting on Tuesday, January 17, is sure to be interesting.

The issue is whether to renew the Oakland County Sheriff's Department contract which ends April 1.

The Reminder contacted two township officials who gave differing opinions.

"You need sixty days to get out of the contract," Fred Ritter, Township Trustee said. "I would be inclined to say the Township Board is leaning in that direction and it won't be unanimous."

Ritter feels the Sheriff Department contract should be renewed. With the contract the area has coverage, Ritter said, mentioning the back up units available if deputies need help, or have to appear in court, and the county crime lab.

"If (the cost per deputy) goes up ten percent, that's 30,000 dollars," Ritter said. "That's still a lot of money, but I think it's well spent and we could stay within our budget."

"I've got pretty strong feelings on it," Ritter said, "and I don't think there's anyone on the board who agrees with me."

Indeed, the opposite opinion was stated by Rose.

"I have not been happy with the county," he said. "The question is whether we can make it alone."

Numerous complaints by local citizens including "unnecessary abuse by deputies, lack of service, lack of follow-up and basic unprofessionalism," are the reasons

Rose said he's unhappy with the Sheriff's Department.

"What ever happens, if we keep the department, some changes are going to have to be made," he said.

Both officials agreed that money needed for a separate police department is an area of concern.

The financial question includes cost of insurance and future salary increases for police officers. Rose said the question is "what will (the cost) be in three, five or seven years from now? If expenses grow at a normal rate of three to ten percent, the township could deal with it," he said, "but in other departments that hasn't been the case."

The insurance is a major problem, Rose said. "There is no way you can keep a handle on that."

There was some speculation about whether the township could get insurance. Now they have "a quote on the possible cost of insurance," Rose said. "It's a reasonable figure, around \$13,000 or so, through an independent carrier."

The amount isn't definite, Rose said, until the insurance company makes inspections and offers a contract.

Ritter's feelings on the cost of maintaining a local department are strong.

"In my own estimation, just the financial feasibility of it is the biggest problem," he said. "It's just a monster. Let's look down the road in three or four years and we're going to go bankrupt."

The issue dealt with at the meeting will be whether or not to renew the Sheriff's Department's contract, Ritter said. The question of how to pay for a township police department will come later.

"The true police income is less than \$180,000," he said. That figure includes millage money and other sources of income like fines paid for ordinance violations.

In order to reach the proposed budget of \$225,000, police services would have to pull from state and federal funds the township receives.

Although other departments may grumble, Rose said, "There's no reason I see why some of that money couldn't go to the police department. Out of the half million we've gotten, the police department has received only ten thousand dollars."

What will happen at the meeting as Rose said, "It's hard to say on an item as hot as this."

Public opinion, especially if a large number of citizens attend the meeting would be a factor, he added.

There are three choices; the township will decide to "continue the contract, not to continue the contract, or table the issue," Rose said.

The meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. in the Township Hall, 90 Main St.

The Colombiere Mystique Unfolded

By Kathy Greenfield

The area is surrounded by mystery. Most people know where Colombiere Center is. They know it is affiliated with the Roman Catholic church, but they aren't sure what happens there.

Even the first glimpse of Colombiere Center is a surprise. Following the signs off Dixie Highway near

the I-75 intersection, down Big Lake Road almost directly across from an ancient farm house, the drive-way to Colombiere winds up a hill.

And there it is. It could be a building on any college campus with its modern brick and cement structure, but it's larger than one-fifth of a mile long with wings up to

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What's Inside

Clarkston's basketball fortunes were hurt when the CHS cagers dropped two games this past week. For a complete sports report see page 20.

They call racquetball a sport for sissies. The men of the Classic Paddleball League love their sport and play it with a vengeance. Turn to page 10 and read their story.

Part three of our series on Independence law enforcement goes to three surrounding townships to see how they protect their citizens. The article begins on Page 2.

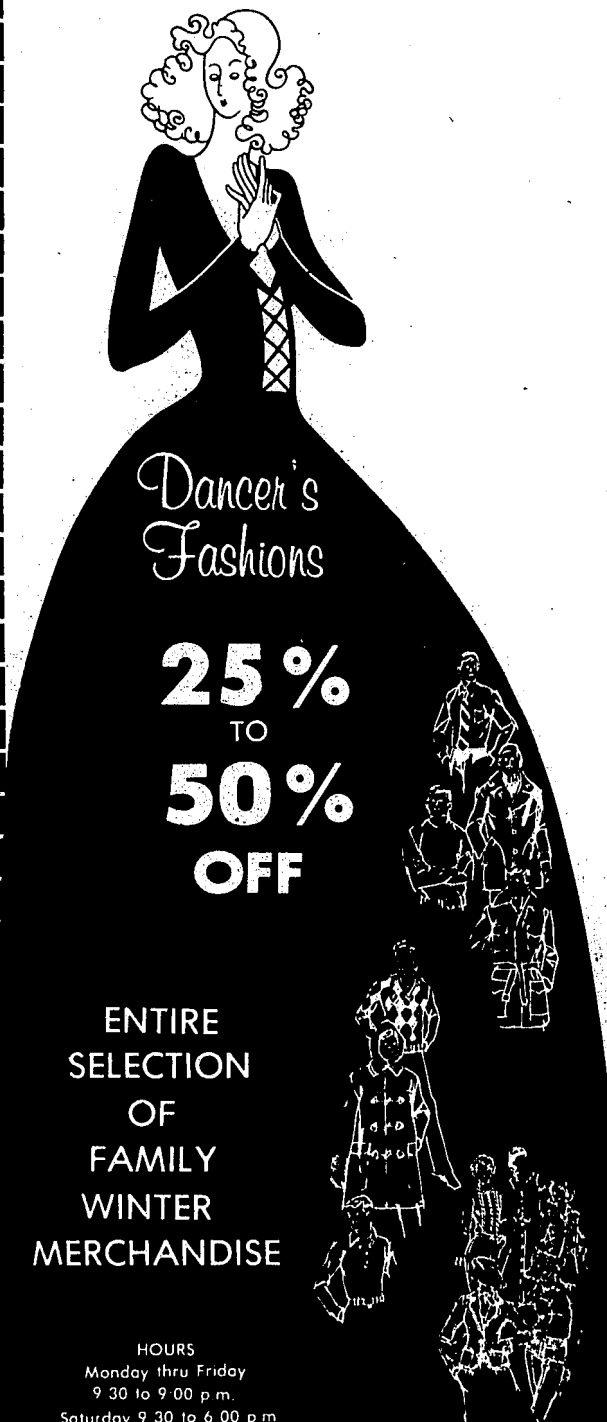


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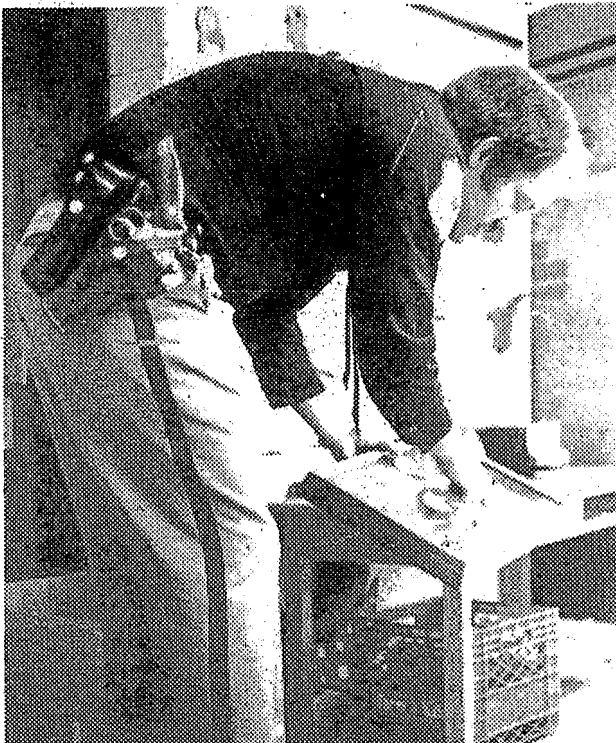


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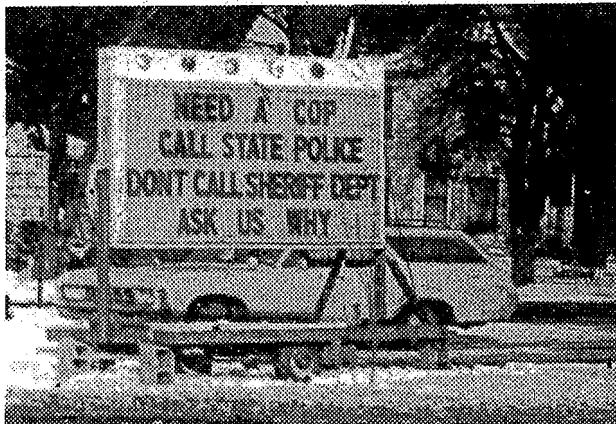
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The Anatomy of Law Enforcement Independence Style



"We believe this is one of the best programs," states Supervisor L.L. Wright about the Sheriff's Department's classroom activities. Here, deputy Bill Kay shows an elementary class a display of badges.



An angry businessman displays his frustration with the Sheriff's Department on a lighted sign.

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In part III of our continuing series on the state of law enforcement in Independence Township we examine law enforcement in three neighboring townships - Avon, White Lake and Brandon.

By Mike Wilcox, Joan Allen and Cathy Greenfield

Independence is the only township in North Oakland County that operates their own police force as well as contract with the Sheriff's Department. The arrangement has not worked, and there's considerable support to end the contract with the Sheriff's Department come April when the current contract must be renewed.

The Reminder went to three neighboring townships to see how law enforcement agencies operated within their boundaries. In each township, operation was quite different, yet they all had one common feature. People in each of the townships are relatively satisfied with the police protection they are receiving.

Avon Township seems to be the Sheriff's Department's model of success. Whenever they talk about the Sheriff's Department's performance, they point to Avon, a fast growing, affluent area that engulfs the City of Rochester.

"I have heard some argument for our own force," said Avon Township Supervisor Earl Borden, "but, believe me, I don't think we could have a better group of officers if we had our own."

Avon Township, considerably larger in population than Independence, contracts for seventeen Sheriff's deputies.

Borden claims he has very few police-related problems. "If I do have a complaint I can get hold of either the command sergeant or Chief Curtis (in Pontiac) who is only a phone call away."

Borden is totally against any suggestions that Avon start their own department.

"I would hate to see Avon Township as an entity, have its own police department because I'm convinced it would be understaffed, underfunded and under-equipped, and everything else, and it would provide another unit in a growing number of units where the unions, quite honestly, whiplash you with binding arbitration," said Borden.

He continued, "I've gotta believe, down deep in my heart, that the people in the south part of the county, the small little Pleasant Ridges, etc., that have their own departments are paying too much for their police protection. They're just too small to be efficient."

Working together with other area departments seems to be no problem for Borden either. Rochester, county and state police all have a good working relationship with each other, according to Borden.

Another township that contracts with the Sheriff's Department is Brandon.

Directly to the north of Independence, Brandon chose the Sheriff's contract over their own police force approximately two years ago. It was a bitter dispute at the time with township residents split down the middle between keeping the township force and contracting with the county.

But the relatively rural township with approximately half the population of Independence went with the Sheriff's department, and the issue has been relatively quiet ever since.

One of the local police force's major backers Supervisor Leslie Wright notes he has been pleasantly surprised by the effective job the sheriff's deputies have been doing in Brandon.

Wright indicated he got few complaints and he had no problem communicating with the department when a complaint arose.

The Sheriff's Department maintains two cars and six deputies in Brandon.

The jury's still out, however. At least according to a few residents that are unhappy with the treatment they've received from sheriff's deputies.

One of those unhappy people went as far as placing an anti-Sheriff's Department message on a lighted sign on M-15.

One township that doesn't contract with the Sheriff's Department is White Lake. To the west of Independence, White Lake is similar in size with a population of 19,544, according to a 1976 special census.

Clerk Ferdinand Vetter said, "I'm satisfied that the type of department we have is the best that we can provide for the community at this time with the funds that are available."

Those funds add up to \$397,563.00 for the present year. \$73,641.00 of that is paid through CETA. Most of the money goes to pay salaries, of a chief, two full-time sergeants, ten full-time patrol officers, one part-time sergeant, five dispatchers and two clerks. The staff has five patrol cars and two other vehicles - one for the chief and a four-wheel drive Jeep.

Police in White Lake do have a union, but Vetter does

not consider that a threat. "We've successfully negotiated contracts with the union since 1973 - we haven't had a strike or the blue flu."

Vetter said a major advantage of the local department is control. "It puts the control over operation of the department under control of the local government. Whereas, if it's another agency, you might have occasion to come into contact with (officers you don't like)."

He continued, "When you have your own department, you have all the problems. You have to handle the problems yourselves. All the problems any organization might have. You can't call the county and have them handle complaints."

NEXT WEEK: What would it cost if Independence were to expand their own department to be the only law enforcement agency in the township?

Informal Poll Shows Residents Divided on Police Issue

By Elaine Thornton

It seems there has always been friction between the police services personnel of Oakland County and Independence Township. Both departments feel there is a need for each branch.

A Reminder reporter asked Independence Township residents the following question: "If you needed police assistance, would you call Independence Township or Oakland County?"

Here's what the people say:

Jon Abbott, Clarkston - "Independence." Only because of one time he needed their assistance upon discovering a potential thief in his backyard.

Mrs. Dennis Wright - "In a hurry I'd call Oakland. If

not a good response, I'd call Independence."

Basil Thompson, Independence - "I don't know. Never gave it a thought. I suppose I'm supposed to call local."

Steve Ryeson, Clarkston - "Oakland County. Only thing I ever see are Oakland County police cars - didn't know there was an Independence police department."

Johnna Nichol, Clarkston - "Oakland County. Just the first thing I'd do. I know there is an Independence police, but I have more confidence in Oakland County."

Kathy Muscat, Clarkston - "I don't know, but I guess Oakland County. Didn't know there was an Independence police."

Laurie Lewis, Clarkston - "Would call the number by the phone," which she thought was Oakland County.

Gloria Kristopek, Clarkston - "Oakland County. Before when I've tried to call Independence police, there was no answer."

Terry Trim, Clarkston - "Oakland County. In six years I've lived here, I'm not familiar with the availability of Independence police."

Eddie Goldner - "Would prefer the State Police. Had to call Oakland County once but felt the State Police did a better job on another occasion."

Joe Messing, Clarkston - "Independence, they're closest."

Kinda Kurz - "Independence. They'd probably get here quicker."

Bonnie Derisley - "Oakland County. I feel I'd get a better response."

Robert Carter, Clarkston - "Oakland County."

Mrs. Andrews, Clarkston - "Oakland County because now I live in Springfield Township, but I lived in Independence many years and would have called the Independence police then."

Mrs. Carl Wilson, Clarkston - "Independence police because they're closer."

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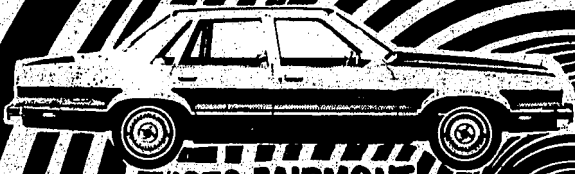
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THOUGHTS 'N THINGS

by Joan Allen

One of the problems with modern medicine is that there are so many specialists, and so few general practitioners. That has happened for a reason, and a good one. A specialist can keep abreast of all the latest research and discovery in one field. A general practitioner would hardly have the time to keep up on everything that is happening in all branches of medicine. Specialization, therefore, is more efficient.

On the other hand, the specialist often loses track of

the need to consider the whole human body, the mind, and the emotions, in treating a patient's symptoms. The patient, on the other hand, usually thinks that any doctor can diagnose "what's wrong" by the limited symptoms occurring in any particular place in the body. The result is that many doctors treat symptoms locally, while the problem may be a general one.

We are running into the same sort of problem in education. Teachers today are specialists in their own particular field of education. Their job is to teach a particular skill, or to introduce students to a particular field of knowledge or understanding. There is simply no way that each teacher can also be trained as a diagnostician of learning problems. Even if all were trained for it, time limits prevent most teachers from giving the individual attention that diagnosing requires. As a result, each teacher tries to treat symptoms "locally" while the problem or problems in the classroom may be general ones.

The simple truth of the matter is that what one or two parents cannot accomplish with one or two children; a teacher cannot accomplish with 29 or 30 of them. Expertise in educational methods cannot and will not ever do the job that the "general practitioner" or parent can do. The parent knows the child, and all the influences that have been brought to bear on the child. The parent can recognize patterns of behavior over a number of years, as well as physical difficulties that can interfere with learning. The parent can also motivate the child to get as much out of the school experience as possible. All it takes is a little "homework."

Today's schools have a number of specialists, in a variety of fields. The purpose is to introduce our children to a wide range of thought and experience in the school years. That's what we parents should be receiving for our tax dollars. Our public school system was based with that philosophy and that aim in mind. Small units have been consolidated into larger ones, in hopes of increasing the opportunities for our children. Somehow, in the growth process, impersonality and alienation, through loss of communication opportunity, has sometimes occurred, however. "Things are going wrong," but neither parents or teachers can figure out what's causing it. Passing the buck, of course, is a waste of time. It doesn't accomplish anything. Parents who are concerned about "education today" can do a great deal to help their own children, however.

I had the opportunity to conduct an interesting experiment on a classroom of children who had been labeled "slow learners," when I did my practice teaching to acquire my teaching degree. I was given the class in a junior high, and was to teach them social studies and English. The classroom teacher explained that these children really didn't have learning difficulties, but that they lacked motivation. To "punish" them, she was giving them the same spelling test every week until they learned to spell the words on the list. The students refused to learn to spell them, so I was given the same list of tired old words to teach to them.

The first week I was in the classroom I tried to follow the work as their teacher had assigned. Even she got bored, however, so when she informed me that she would no longer remain in the room to observe me, I went about the job in my own way.

I explained to the students that English was about communications; and that we were going to spend some time in communicating. I then asked them to explain to me why they were not learning the spelling words (and other work they were given).

It didn't take long to establish that they all had one thing in common. They felt that school was a waste of time, and just a place that they were sent to every day until they were old enough to "get out." They could see no purpose in "learning all that junk."

Now, motivation was something I had learned about in psychology, and in a course called "persuasive speech." I decided to put my own learning to use.

I would like to explain here that "my own learning" was a result of majoring in psychology and communications, and the years I spent with my own small children, plus what I had learned at home. In all my years in school, I had only two "education courses" as such. They were "psychology of education," and



"philosophy of education." Teacher training puts very little emphasis on "how to teach" but concentrates on the subject matter to be taught. It is often assumed that "anyone can teach anything they understand themselves." That is not true!

In order to teach the children about the value of education, I simplified the concept. I cut out a picture of a side view of an elephant from one of my own children's books, and then cut it into parts. The ear, the tail, a tusk, the trunk, and the legs were all cut separately, and used as patterns. I then took construction paper and cut enough of each piece to give my students the makings of their own elephant.

I didn't give them the answer to the puzzle they were to assemble, but simply told them to make an animal with the assorted pieces. When they were through, only two out of a class of 31 had made an elephant. Half of the class became frustrated and refused to even try, beyond pasting all the pieces together without interest. When they saw the elephant that the two had made, however, they asked for another set of pieces.

Then we had "communications" time again. We talked this time, about the parts of our bodies, and the bodies of elephants as well, and how they worked together, and depended on each other part. It was not difficult to move on then, and I let the children work out the way that letters, words, sentences, punctuation, and spelling "work together" to accomplish the "picture" of an idea. Then we talked about ourselves, and the people next door, and how we affect each other - and how it helps to understand other people when we have problems in "getting along with them." I let the class tell me how important "social studies" are to them.

We talked about jigsaw puzzles next, and how much easier they were to do when you had the picture of the finished puzzle on the box. We tried to figure out what a "picture of education" would look like. I was surprised how many of them knew of subjects they had never had in school. Their parents had told them about their jobs in many instances, and they knew what certain jobs required.

It was easy, then, to move on to geography. I gave them each a styrofoam ball to use for a globe, and we drew the Equator and the hemispheres on it, and we talked about how different life was when you lived on a desert, and you lived on the water. Map work became exciting because they had become curious.

Against my supervising teacher's wishes, I gave the children an assignment that she felt was "beyond their ability." I asked each of them to choose a child they would like to be, and to write a story about that child. The child they chose had to live in another part of the country or the world. They were to include family names, occupations, weather conditions, local industry, and locally grown foods in a description of their daily meals, in their stories. We worked on them in class, and we went to the library and looked for information. Every child did one, and they were turned in on time. Some of them, of course, were better than others. Some of the parents became interested and worked with their children. I worked with others who were having problems. We all enjoyed the assignment, however, and the children learned a great deal, in spite of their aversion to learning.

I never saw any of those children again, because they were not in our local school district. I don't know, therefore, if my efforts had any lasting effect. Teachers seldom to get "feed-back" of that sort. Parents, however, can do the same kind of thing I did with those children. It isn't difficult to use a little imagination to catch a child's interest. A good many morals have been taught by the "fairy tale" or Captain Kangaroo. And parents can stick around and enjoy the results of their efforts when they work with their own children. That personal interest in a child can accomplish miracles!

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To Whom It May Concern:

I have been reading your articles on the Sheriff's department, and I want to say that the deputies I have met have been very polite and helpful. A couple of weeks ago, my car broke down on I-75. A trucker with a CB called the Sheriff's car, and they came right away and took me to a garage where I could get a tow-truck. Both of the deputies were very courteous.

This is not the first time I have had help from the Sheriff's department. When we moved into our new house a few years ago, the builder put the trap door (to get the ashes from the fireplace out) in the wrong place. He just left it almost closed and put in another one. We didn't know anything about it until a three-foot black snake found a place right by the chimney, and managed to enter the basement through the trap door. It really frightened me and my children. A sheriff's deputy responded to my call, and removed the snake from the house.

Another time, someone dropped off their dog in our driveway and it was scared. It growled when we tried to leave the house for church on Sunday morning, and we were afraid to go past it to the car. Again, the sheriff's deputies came to our aid and picked up the dog.

During the bicentennial, somebody was shooting off cannon that shook the windows of our house. I wasn't sure what the noise was, but I didn't like it, and my husband was out of town, and I didn't have any neighbors to ask about it. The sheriff's department located the source of the "explosions" and came and explained it to me.

And last, but not least, when a kid on dope threatened me and our kids, a deputy met me at the school parking lot and escorted me in to pick up one of our children, followed me to the next school to pick up the other, and then followed me home, to make sure everything was alright.

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An appreciative citizen

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Just One of Those Days

It was just before Christmas, and Mom and the kids had been saving all year to buy Pop a new stereo. His had not been working right for some time, and he loved playing Christmas records. It was purchased and carefully hidden, and Pop never suspected a thing.

And so it was, that he decided to take the old stereo in to be fixed just "one more time."

Of course, Mom didn't want that added expense, and she had to do something quick. So, she called a store-owner friend who did business next to the repair-shop, and told him of the surprise, and persuaded him to pick up the broken stereo and hide it in his storeroom. He went next door and explained it to the repair-shop owner, and picked it up. Repair-shop Owner agreed to string Pop along, if he called to inquire after the stereo. Mom hoped Pop would forget about it, thinking that she would pick it up, and she planned to "forget it."

Pop remembered, however, and showed up to pick up his stereo. As it happened, owner wasn't there, and temporary Christmas help was. He said they had no record of the broken stereo. Pop said they had it. Hired Help said no, they didn't. An argument ensued, and both got hot under the collar. Owner then arrived to the scene and said other store-owner had picked it up on direction of wife. Pop stormed next door.

Friend explained everything, but Pop didn't simmer down even after wife and kids had presented him with new stereo. Forced apologies to repair shop did nothing for his Christmas spirit. His mood did not improve when new stereo proved to be defective and had to be returned to the store - which apologized, but regretted they were all out of merchandise at that point.

Family spent Christmas listening to the radio. Mom has decided that there will be no surprises in the future - though she is trying to convince Pop that it was Just One of Those Days.

Friends and Neighbors

By Carol Balzarini

Sue Basinger lives on East Washington Street in one of the oldest homes in the Village of Clarkston with her husband Bill, son Billy, her mother-in-law Ruth Basinger, and Sir Trevor Howard, the family's basset hound.

The house was probably built between 1844 and 1848 but its exact date has never been determined. The elder Basingers purchased the house in 1963 from the Yeager family who operated the old blacksmith shop. Billy is still finding artifacts with his metal detector.

Bill and Sue came to live there in 1968 when he entered law school not intending to remain permanently. Ten years later they are still there with Bill commuting to Lansing where he is an assistant attorney general.

Since the home had been vacant for two years, the Basingers had their work cut out for them. That first year was spent making the building liveable with new plumbing, wiring and heating systems.

Since then most of their spare time has been spent restoring the exterior and redecorating the interior. They all enjoy doing as much of their own work as possible. Ruth is a free lance interior decorator.

Recently much of Sue's time has been devoted to helping research not only the Basingers' own home but those of others as well through the Clarkston Community Historical Society of which Ruth is president.

In November the historical society presented some 200 slides, all taken by Sue and Bill, of homes of historic interest and value in the community. The showing, held

at the Village Hall, attracted a standing room crowd.

One of Sue's other tasks is responsibility for the historical society's resource file with names of suppliers and craftsmen who provide services, materials or finished products for homes fifty years old or older. Copies of the Old House Journal may also be borrowed. She would like to be contacted for information about this or to be provided with additional names for the file.

A move is currently underway to have other areas in the village besides Main Street declared historical districts. Main Street was the first one registered as such with the state. Mainly all that is required is the interest of the homeowner and a justification of the home's historical significance, whether local or otherwise, providing three proofs.

"I just want individuals to recognize what they themselves have. Many don't recognize the value of what there is here," Sue said and went on to explain that a home need only be 50 years old to be classified as a historical site.

Currently Buffalo Street has been researched, plus the Basinger home, and one or two others and are being considered by the Michigan Historic Commission. Others will follow.

Holcomb is a "must," if for traffic purposes alone, Washington and Church Streets, and probably Robertson Court and Miller Road will also be researched. "But," Sue sighed, "It all takes so much time."

"Our work will go faster if individuals would be willing to do their own homes. Material for research is

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We The People

by Joan Allen



Richard A. Elliott, Deputy Clerk-Register of Deeds of Oakland County, is amiable, good-natured, friendly, and easy to talk to. He claims that that is due to his philosophy that "You're only on this earth for a fraction of a second compared to eternity, so you might just as well enjoy it while you're here."

Elliott was raised, and attended school, in Pontiac, except for one year when his family moved to Indiana. He was active in sports in school, and when he was seventeen, he spent one summer playing professional ball for the St. Louis Browns in their Farm Club. "I didn't know what I was doing though - I was only seventeen when they sent me down there. They paid us \$50.00 a week, and gave us room and board," he said.

When Elliott graduated from high school, there was no question of his going to college, because his folks couldn't afford to send him; so he went to work for General Motors in their Pontiac Retail Store. "It was really interesting," he said, "we took care of all the big wheel's cars - the factory official cars that went through Pontiac Motor."

In 1952, however, he went into the Army and was in service until fall of 1954. When he got out of service, he decided he wanted to go to college and become an accountant. That meant working all day, and going to school at night.

"I went to the University of Detroit for two and a half years, and then quit," he said. "I lost 18 pounds in six weeks one time. It was during finals, and I got off work at 5 o'clock, got down to Detroit for class at 6 o'clock, and didn't get out of class until 10:30. I wouldn't have had anything to eat, so I'd stop on my way home and buy some doughnuts, eat them on the way home, and fall

into bed. In the morning I'd get up and have some juice, and study, then go to work."

By that time, however, he was able to work for G.M.A.C. as an accountant. He worked in that capacity for thirteen years. "At that time," he said, "I was bowling at the Elks with Lynn Allen, and he ran for County Clerk. When he was elected, he asked me if I wanted to work over there, and I said, 'Yes, if you can match my salary.' He did, and I came over, and I've loved every minute of it since," he added.

Much of Elliott's activity outside the office is youth centered. He and his wife, Louise have three sons; Jeff, who is 21 years old, Jerry, 20, and Tom, who is 11.

His views on child-raising are traditional, and perhaps remembering his own college experience, he has told his boys he will help them to attend college - but only if they show him that they really want to go. Jeff went for a short time, but quit and joined the Navy, but is now living in California. His dad says he is intending to go to college again in the future. Jerry, the second son, is a florist at the present time; but Tom, the youngest is an all A student, and has already written to Arizona State for information about classes and degrees.

"Tom, at eleven, is an outstanding athlete, plays the piano, is in the chorus, and is President of Student Council, besides getting top grades," said his dad. Elliott feels that competition between the two older boys (just fourteen months apart in age) may have prevented them from succeeding to the degree that the youngest has. "He always gets his way, but in a very nice way - he's just a winner," said his proud father.

The Elliotts also raised his brother's two daughters for eight or nine years, until they went back to live with their mother. The girls are very close to their aunt and uncle still however.

It may be that connection with his nieces which led Elliott into the role of judge for the Oxford Jaycee's Junior Miss Pageants, the last six years. He said, "The trouble with all these stories about kids is that you never hear what the good ones are doing, but these contests show none but the good kids. They have to have high scholastic averages, but they enjoy life and everything they do - which is a lot. They help the elderly and work on farms to help the farmers, among other things. They're really great kids, and I love the contests."

Elliott also coaches basketball and baseball, and helps with football at their school. That keeps him around kids a lot, and he made some observations that many parents have been making recently. As for discipline, he said, "When we were kids, and once in awhile did something that we got in trouble for, we got reprimanded at school. Then, when we got home, we got reprimanded again. Today, if a kid gets in trouble, and the teacher takes any action, the parents go over to the school and threaten to sue the teacher."

He feels that the kids of today are "too advanced." He blames television, and the programming for much of what they learn that is negative. "In our house, we only watch if there is something funny on, or an old movie that's good," he said. One can't help but wonder if that is partly responsible for their youngest son's success in school.

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available at the Moses Wisner home in Pontiac. Abstracts give clues as to construction features and architectural styles. Family records and surviving relatives also provide information."

Sue feels the village as a whole should be declared an historical district because it functions much as it did 100 years ago. The homes and shops are located in the same places, the public buildings also although their use may have changed.

In the weeks ahead, Sue will be working with the Reminder on a series of articles pointing out items of historical significance in the community whether entire homes or just architectural features in an attempt to make people more aware of what is to be found here.

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CHS's Volleyball Mentor More Than Just a Coach

By Elaine Thornton

Linda Denstadet, girls' volleyball coach at Clarkston High, is a dynamic, well-traveled individual who has been on the staff at Clarkston for 7 years.

She initiated the volleyball program six years ago when she realized the need for more female participation in co-curricular sports.

Ms. Denstadet is a Rochester resident who received her Bachelors degree in Liberal Arts Education and English from Oakland University where she also completed a Masters program in Remedial Reading.

Her first year of practical teaching was done at Pine Knob Elementary at the 5th grade level. She then spent two years teaching 9th grade at Sashabaw Junior High.

Having completed work for her Masters degree, Linda took the position at Clarkston High teaching English and Remedial Reading. She supervises the publishing of "The Sunrise," the Clarkston High student newspaper.

Linda and her husband, John, a geography teacher at Clawson Junior High, have traveled 36 of the United States and 14 countries. Linda's favorite part of America is the Western mountain states with its sparse population and dense wilderness. She is intrigued most with Switzerland and its glorious mountains and Scotland, with its rugged heather-covered hills. She says, "America is still my favorite because it has everything. I think Americans don't truly appreciate their land because it is so vast."

When not teaching or working with the volleyball team, Ms. Denstadet fashions stained glass windows and creates crewel works in wool yarns. Writing poetry has always been her favorite creative pasttime for her own personal enjoyment.

County Road Workers and Commission Sign Contract

Contract between the Oakland County Road Commission and hourly workers is signed. Signing, center, is Billy J. Burling, Staff Representative of Council 23, AFL-CIO. At his left, standing, is Glenn H. Felix of Pontiac, President of Local 92, AFSCME. Others standing, from left, are Paul Van Roekel of Waterford Township, Road Commission Highway Engineer, and members of the Union Bargaining Committee, all of the Maintenance Department. They are Ray Stutzman of Clarkston, Mac Bonds of Union Lake, Don Graves of Oxford, Dick McKnight of Pontiac and Joe Vance of Clarkston. Seated, from left, are Road Commissioners William M. Richards of Royal Oak. Vice Chairman, John R. Gnau, Jr., of Bloomfield Township, Chairman; Fred D. Houghten of Rochester, Commissioner; and Managing Director John L. Grubba of Southfield.

Battling Old Man Winter Not An Easy Job for County Road Crew

"Although the roads were admittedly hazardous during this week's snowstorm, Oakland County Road Commission crews battled all-out," said Managing Director John L. Grubba today.

"High winds and extremely low temperatures simply overrode all our efforts," he said.

Grubba said full crews attacked the storm conditions from midnight Monday morning to 7 p.m. Monday, well over the 16-hour limit desirable for continuous work. Crews actually began on that storm at 4 p.m. Sunday, he said.

"But winds simply blew the snow back onto the roadway. Slush formed by the salt we applied quickly refroze in the 30-degrees-below-zero temperatures that result from the wind-chill," said Grubba.

He said, "Salt is useless below zero. At five degrees above zero its effect is so minimized that usually the pavement reglazes before the ice melt can run off. To give a further idea of salt's limitations, consider that one pound of salt will melt 46 pounds of ice at 30 degrees, only 14 pounds of ice at 25 degrees and only five pounds of ice at 10 degrees.

"We've used more salt than usual for this point in a winter," he said. He noted that the average is about 34,000 tons per year, which at the current \$11.50 average cost per ton would amount to \$391,000. "We're nowhere near the 10-year high in salt use of last winter, however, when 44,000 tons were needed at a cost of \$484,000," he said.

Grubba said up to 278 tons of salt per hour can be spread on the 1,391 miles of critical and priority routes on the county and state trunkline road system in Oakland County. "That means cost of salt alone can run as high as \$3,197 per hour.

"Add that to the cost of equipment and crews, and costs can run as high as \$5,185 per hour during regular working hours, up to \$5,660 per hour on overtime and up to \$6,610 per hour on holidays," he said.

"We can put up to 83 salt trucks on the road at a cost of \$12.50 per hour each, or \$1,038 per hour combined. For plowing, we can muster up to 135 pieces of equipment at a cost of \$21 each or \$2,835 per hour combined," said Grubba.

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requires 147 persons. Wages and fringe benefits per employee average \$10 per hour on regular time, \$15 per hour on overtime and \$25 per hour on holidays. That means total employee costs can be up to \$950 per hour for salting on regular time to \$3,675 per hour for plowing on holiday time in an all-out effort," he said.

He said the general procedure is to salt until one inch of snow accumulates; then plow and resalt critical and priority routes as necessary.

Grubba said only 1,390.8 miles of critical and priority routes are manned during holidays and during overtime hours (before 7:30 a.m. and after 3:39 p.m. weekdays) although 2,672 miles of county and trunkline roads require maintenance.

The critical routes total 393.3 miles of state and county roads with more than 40,000 vehicles per day of travel, he said. "These are manned at forecast of snow or bad conditions with the objective of achieving 75 percent bare pavement, particularly for rush hours," he said, noting that trunklines not included in this "critical" category are I-75 north of Baldwin Road, M-24, M-15, M-59 and I-275.

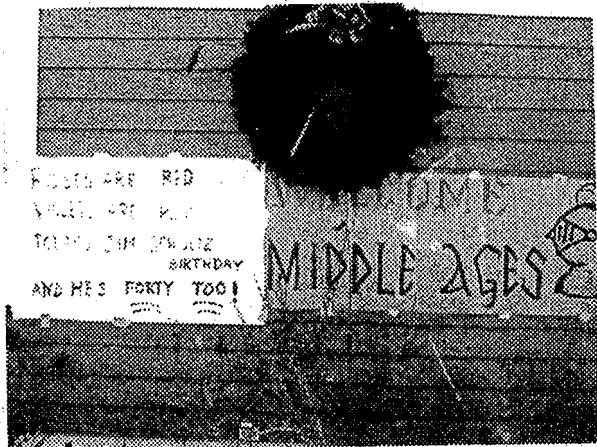
"Priority I routes totalling 879.3 miles are manned when snow begins, with the objective of achieving clear wheel tracks," said Grubba. These routes are roads with 5,000 to 40,000 vehicles per day, including the remainder of freeways and state trunklines.

"Priority II routes, which includes most of the through roads in the northern half of the county, are manned variously according to conditions. There are 108 miles of such roads.

"The only other routes manned on overtime are about 9.7 miles of local and subdivision streets that serve schools or are collector roads.

"Other roads are manned only on regular time, and in most instances subdivision streets can't be reached until two or three days after the brunt of a storm," said Grubba.

He said the available snow-fighting equipment is distributed around the county in six maintenance districts, and that each salt truck is assigned to critical and priority routes that each take about two hours to complete.



A giant 40th birthday card decorated Jim Schultz's house in the Village last week.

"He's just been waiting all year to get even," Schultz said, knowing immediately who was responsible for the prank.

Half of the message which read, "Welcome to the Middle Ages," was created by Schultz for neighbor Tom Lamm's 40th birthday last April.

"When I went over the hill, he came over here and decorated my place," Lamm explained. "I saved his middle ages sign and the other one I made yesterday."

Lamm's greeting to Schultz was a "roses are red" ditty that ended with "and he's forty, too!" Bold red lines underscored the words "forty" and "too."

"He cackled a lot when Tom turned 40, so now it's our turn to get him," Sally Lamm said.

When Schultz, who teaches science courses at Cranbrook and is a Village trustee, was asked what he thought of his giant card, he said, "You'll notice I'm tearing it down right now. Dear Tom doesn't believe in using tape; he's power stapled it into the house."

Then Schultz turned to a bit of philosophy: "My mother always believed you're as old as you feel," he said. "Today, I feel 20."

When he stopped by the Lamm's house later to pick up some flowers, he left a message - "Tell Tom I do not like the posters," Schultz said. "However, I think it's fine that he's recycling paper."

Lamm dismissed the prank with a wave of his hand and called it "just a neighborhood deal."

But, as Mrs. Lamm said, "This could go on indefinitely, couldn't it?"

School Board Report

Despite the weather, the regular meeting of the Clarkston School Board was held Monday, January 9.

Item of primary concern was the award given Pine Knob Elementary teacher Enid Cooper by arbitrator Dr. James Dunne. It was his judgement that Cooper should be returned to her previous position as a kindergarten teacher on the first day of the second semester. She had been teaching the fourth grade since the middle of last year.

She had been changed from the kindergarten position to the higher grade because, in Superintendent Milford Mason's words, "We felt she was not presenting a proper program of instruction to kindergarteners."

The board instructed lawyers to file suit in circuit court to have the award set aside. The feeling was that the arbitrator had exceeded his authority, that he was limited to ruling on contract violations.

There was considerable support for retaining the present teacher from parents of the children involved who opposed changing teachers in the middle of the

school year.

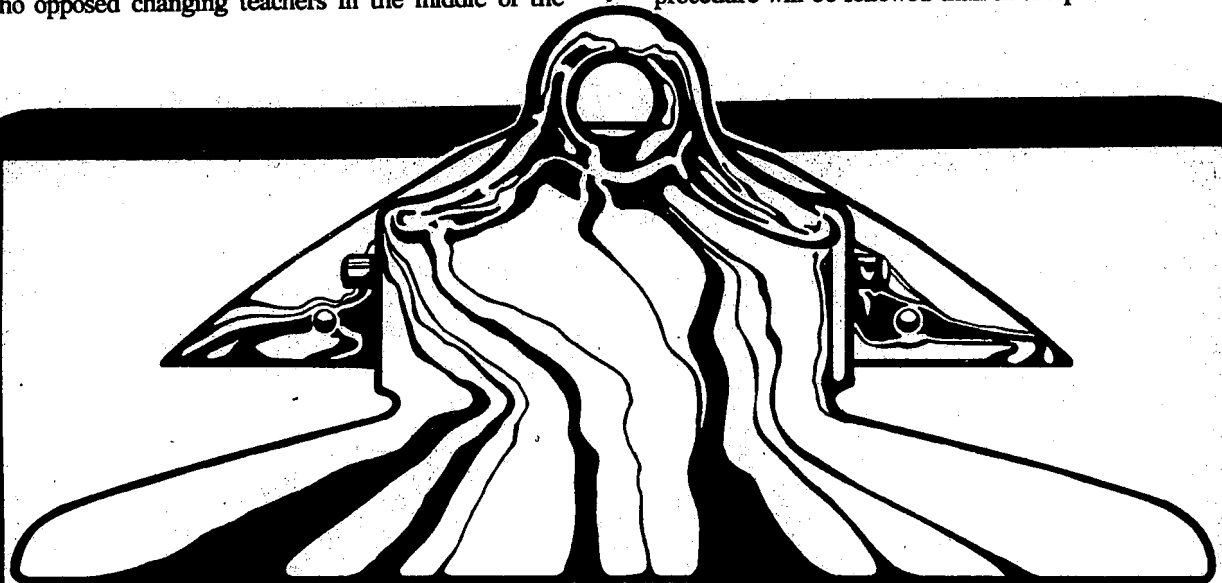
Mason also recommended to the board that serious consideration be given to hiring a person to coordinate a program of planning and evaluation for the school district. The trend nation-wide is toward this type of program aimed at measuring and testing the goals and objectives expressed by the system. Goals and objectives are no good if they aren't working.

Grant money is available, \$300,000 alone in the state of Michigan. An application will be submitted by the Clarkston Community Schools for around \$40,000.

The board decided to accept Mason's recommendation. A steering committee will meet with the administration to discuss candidates for the position.

In other board action, a report was heard on the progress of identifying Indian heritage children within the district, there are about 90 of them. No set percentage is required, only identification of tribal affiliation. Federal funds are provided to "enhance the memory of past culture" with such things as trips to museums, exhibits, and trips to Indian reservations.

The board also adopted a procedure for hearing teacher grievances. From now on a more formal procedure will be followed than in the past.



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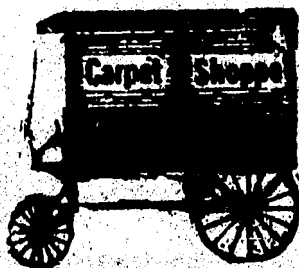
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Serve cheeseburgers Italian style. Add crushed oregano to the burgers, or use mozzarella slices for the cheese topper.

Give smoky outdoor barbecue flavor to your burgers by adding a few drops of bottled liquid smoke (use sparingly) to hamburger before shaping them, or brush barbecue sauce on burgers as they broil.

For Blue Cheese Burgers, blend 1 ounce crumbled blue cheese, 2 tablespoons butter or margarine and 1/4 teaspoon worcestershire sauce. Spread mixture on top of broiled burgers; return to broiler long enough to melt cheese.

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RAGES ON THE EARTH

by Sue West, Clarkston

The warning you refused to hear
 Now has grabbed your fear.
 How could you be so blind,
 Totally turn off your mind.
 I think about what I say
 I won't be here another day.
 Right now, while I am here
 My dying day is near.
 Tell me while you can
 How to save every man
 From rages on the Earth.

It's too bad you waited so long,
 Now everything will go wrong.
 No one seems to understand,
 What is happening to their wonderland.
 Everyone wanting just one penny more.
 What happened to happiness, peace, and love?
 They must have flown away with Noah's dove.
 Oh sure, there's still hope
 But how many people can cope,
 With rages on the Earth?

A "DOG'S LIFE"

by J. Allen

While I am working every day
 Our kitten just stays home to play.
 While my dog, I fear, is often spread
 In comfort, right across my bed.

When I get home, I know they'll greet
 Me at the door, to ask for meat
 And loudly miaow and bark commands
 If I am slow to meet demands.

I wonder how this came about
 That they are in, when I am out
 And why I'm spoiling them, although
 I'm the one who braves the snow.

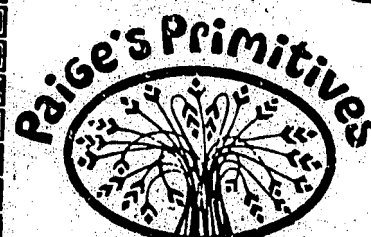
Maybe it's because they run
 To sit beside me when day's done
 And by wag and purr I see
 That they're glad that I am me.

Fickle people that I know
 Often fail to treat me so
 While with faithful dog and cat
 I always know just where I'm at.

Or perhaps, it may be true
 That animals don't share my view
 Of who is master, who is pet
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Question of the Week

By Elaine Thornton

Oakland County Prosecutor L. Brooks Patterson has been circulating a petition on his Parole Reform Act for six months. He presently has over 200,000 signatures and there are still 30-40,000 petitions in circulation. He has set January 15 for the deadline for his office to receive petitions in order that the question may be placed on the ballot in 1978.

That question is: Should a convicted felon serving a prison sentence for a crime of violence serve at least the minimum term imposed by the judge before the prisoner is eligible for parole? A Reminder reporter asked a random sampling of area residents their views. Here is what they said:

Mrs. Ellison E. Austin, Clarkston - "Yes! I feel that because some who have had shortened periods and been released, we have had some bad results."

Wanda Banks, Clarkston - "Yes! I don't think they should be on the street until they have served their minimum sentence for the crime they committed."

Mrs. Baxter, Davisburg - "It's pretty hard to judge because I haven't read about it, but I think yes, he should serve the minimum."

Sharon Ottman, Waterford - "Absolutely! Keep them off the streets so they don't do it again."

Joe Messing, Clarkston - "Yes! Standard prison sentence for crimes should be set!"

Kinda Kurz, age 12, Clarkston - "Yes, because they may not have learned their lesson in a shortened stay."

Larry Holman, Drayton Plains - "Yes. All criminals should be locked up."

Mike Glynn, Clarkston - "Yes."

Bonnie Derisley, Clarkston - "Yes. I've signed that petition. There are too many incidents where another crime is committed when there was an early parole."

Anonymous, Clarkston - "By all means. If he's committed a crime, he should pay for it and not get off early."

Robert Carter, Clarkston - "Yes. If they're convicted they should serve a full term and not get out early."

Mrs. Armstrong, Davisburg - "Yes. I agree with Patterson. Too many crimes are committed when felons are let out on early parole."

Know-It-All, Grow-It-All

GROWING PLANTS WITH ARTIFICIAL LIGHT

By Bonnie Hale

Before artificial lighting, plants had to be crowded into windows but this is no longer true. I have found artificial lighting a very handy asset for growing everything from my African violets to a large schefflera to starting seeds for vegetable plants. The use of artificial light can bring new life into a dull corner, brighten a dark hallway, bring certain plants into bloom at any time of the year, or they can be used extensively by people whose homes are too dark for a large variety of plants, and by people like myself who have more plants than they do windows.

There are three types of artificial lights - incandescent, fluorescent, and special grow lights. Following is a breakdown of the three types with the advantages and disadvantages.

INCANDESCENT - Although these type lights don't give as much light watt for watt, they have many advantages. They are much more mobile and can be concentrated accurately for display purposes when used with a reflector. Incandescent bulbs are ideal for spot lighting and maintaining large floor plants. These type of lights contain more of the red and infrared spectrum and have to be placed at least 2' away from the plants as they will burn them. Incandescent bulbs are very inexpensive but they don't last very long. They have a life expectancy of 750 hours.

FLUORESCENT - These lights produce more light per watt of power with less heat and are ideal for shelving units as they come in lengths from 18" to 96". The life expectancy of fluorescent lamps is about 12,000 hours. The main color found in them is the blue spectrum which when used alone, causes low stocky growth. High light level plants (refer back to last week's list) will do fine 3 to 5' below the tubes and low light plants up to 15' away. Therefore, they cannot be used for spotlighting.

"GROW LIGHTS" - are special lights which combine the red spectrum from incandescent lights and the blue spectrum from fluorescent tubes to create an ideal plant light. There are several manufactures of grow lights and they come in both spotlights and tubes making them ideal for any type of situation. They are more expensive but the results are much better. They have a life expectancy comparable to fluorescent tubes.

Timers are well worth the investment because when only artificial light is used, the lights should be on 12 to 14 hours a day.

The lights and fixtures should be cleaned monthly to remove dust as it interferes with the amount of light emitted.

The bulbs should be changed before they reach total usage because after 70% of the life expectancy has been used, they emit 15% less light than when they were new. At 14 hours a day, a fluorescent and grow light should be changed every 18 to 20 months and every 22 months if used 12 hours a day. Incandescent bulbs should be changed about every 43 days at 12 hours a day and every 37 days at 14 hours a day. The above figures take into consideration the last 30% of the total usage. When I change the lights, I mark the date of installation on the bulb so I can remember when to change the bulbs again.

Reflectors should be used with all types of lights as much light is lost to the top and sides of the fixtures. By using reflectors, all light available is directed down onto the plants.

Several people have asked me how much it costs to operate my artificial lights so I decided to check with Detroit Edison. I have three 60-watt spotlights and three 4' tubes with a total of 300 watts and it costs me approximately \$5.40 to operate them for 12 hours a day for one month. My conclusion is that they are well worth the extra money as it allows me to have 40 more plants than I otherwise would.

(Next week, photoperiodism. Questions invited).



FORECAST:

BY ROBERT C. DAVIS

Our weatherman is Robert C. Davis, Bob, an Ohio State graduate in Geology, makes meteorology [the study of the earth's atmosphere, especially weather conditions] an almost full-time hobby. Bob has generously agreed to share his knowledge with Reminder readers, so watch this column for the latest FORECAST.

Precipitation in our 4-township and surrounding area for December ranged from 1.68" in Auburn Heights to 3.71" at Pontiac/Elizabeth Lake. Most stations reported near normal or slightly higher than normal precipitation during December. In the Clarkston area, northern Clarkston reported 2.69" and eastern Clarkston reported 2.95" for the month. Snowfall in the Clarkston area during December totalled about 12", which is about 5" above normal.

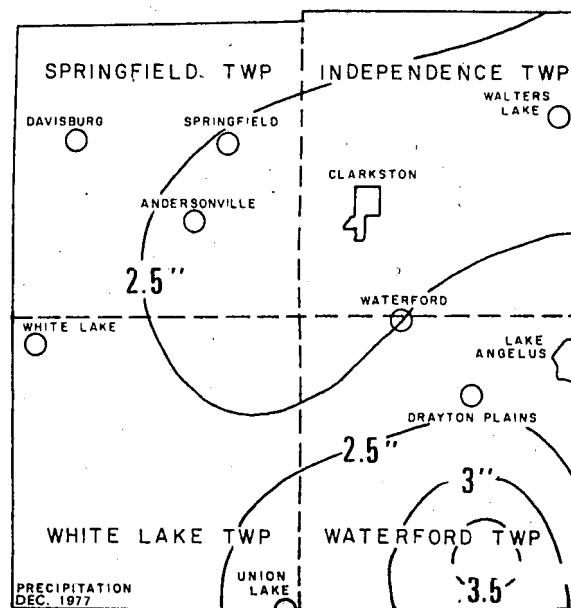
Temperatures in our area averaged slightly below normal during December. Based on data from the eastern Clarkston station, the highest temperature recorded during the month was 52 degrees on the 1st. Our first sub-zero temperature of the season was recorded on the 10th, when the temperature dipped to a low of 7 degrees below zero. However, the lowest

temperature for the month was recorded on the next morning, when the temperature bottomed out at 9 degrees below zero.

Looking back at the year 1977, the biggest weather story was obviously the bitter cold winter of 1977. For the entire year, our temperatures averaged below normal for 8 of the 12 months, including the last 5 months of the year. The only months in which we experienced above-normal temperatures were March, April, May and July. In spite of this imbalance, however, our daily mean temperature for the entire year was very near the normals experienced by nearby stations with long periods of records. Our daily mean temperature figured out to be 47.7 degrees in 1977 (for the eastern Clarkston station). Just for comparison purposes, here are the normal daily mean temperatures of some surrounding Michigan weather stations: Pontiac - 48.5 degrees, Lapeer - 47.3 degrees, Flint - 46.8 degrees, and Milford - 47.0 degrees.

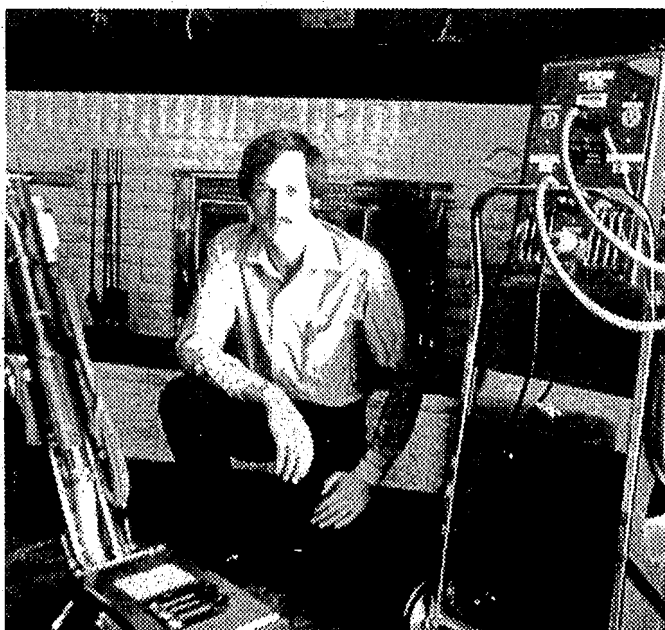
At this point, I would like to recognize the outstanding efforts of our volunteers, who week by week and month by month submitted their data for use in the maps and reports that have been presented during the past year. Special recognition goes to Susan Rosin of Union Lake, Neal Philpott, Sr. of Clarkston, and Dennis Cox of Fenton; these three hard-working volunteers were the only ones to obtain a complete full year record of precipitation at their respective stations in 1977. Based on their data, we can say that rainfall totals in our area were near normal or a little below normal in 1977.

I would also like to officially welcome Mike Ashley of Waterford, Rhonda Roth of Ferndale, and Mow-Soung Cheng of Union Lake as new volunteers to our network. If you would like to become a volunteer rain-gage reader, information may be obtained by calling 625-8169.



ADVENTURES:

A Weekly Feature About Our Advertisers



VILLAGE STEAM CLEANING

Steam cleaning the carpeting in Century Airline's BC-3s was his most unusual job, said Dick Wartewig, owner of Village Steam Cleaning in Clarkston. So, if you're flying out of Pontiac Airport to Cleveland,

be sure to look down and remember Village Steam Cleaning added to your comfort.

Usually he cleans carpeting and upholstery in homes, offices and stores.

"Our particular machine uses the vibra brush," Wartewig said. "We're the only ones in the area using this type of machine."

Carpeting is cleaned with a sudsless cleaning agent which doesn't leave carpeting sticky. A "kill odor" is also added to the solvent "to stop any odors that might come up from animals having accidents or any problems of odors from mildew," he said. A soil retardant is then put on high traffic areas.

Moving furniture to clean carpets is part of their service. "We ask people to move knick-knacks and lamps," he said, "but we move everything else."

Upholstery is cleaned with dry foam that loosens soil and uses as little moisture as possible. The method is safe for most fabrics.

The Wartewigs have lived in Clarkston for six years. He grew up in Paw Paw, Michigan. His wife, Jean, has lived in Clarkston "since she's been in the 7th grade," he said. They have a daughter, Andrea, who is 16 months old.

About four years ago, he got started in the steam cleaning business through working with his brother-in-law who also owns a cleaning company.

"I worked with him," he said, "and went to training seminars in Indiana and Ohio."

After learning the techniques, he decided to start his own business two and one-half years ago. Much of his business has come from pleased customers who pass the word, he said.

To set up a cleaning appointment with Village Steam Cleaning, call 625-0911 during normal business hours or on weekends. Their schedule is flexible and you can set up cleaning for weekends if necessary, Wartewig said.



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Classic Paddleball League

They Say Racquetball is For Sissies!

By Carol Balzarini

Traditionally postal employees are the ones undaunted by foul weather or other adverse conditions in pursuit of their appointed duties. Their dedication pales somewhat when compared with the singleminded devotion shown by some local paddleball players every Thursday night.

That night marks the weekly meeting of the Classic (as in vintage) League at the Waterford Hill Courts when 12 men, ranging in age from 27 to 54, get together to do battle in a real man's sport...racquetball, they say, is for sissies. To put it another way, paddleball is like a surgeon using a scalpel, racquetball like using a machete.

A number of league players have been together since they first began playing, some were teachers, some students. With the new ownership at Waterford Hill and the expansion of facilities, the play location was changed and the handicap league established.

"Handicap" in this league can mean one of two things, an excuse for losing, or a justification for winning depending on the final score.

"Handicap" can also be used to describe a physical condition. One player is currently on the sidelines due to torn cartilage in his knee, so disabled that he is unable to even take out the garbage. Another has a bad back also attributed to paddleball.

Still another was quickly whisked away one night bleeding profusely to a local clinic for twelve stitches to close a cut while his wife, unaware, played racquetball in

the next court. This cut was caused by the same player who had been in the same clinic two weeks before for an identical number of stitches.

Other stories circulate about casualties but it's difficult to separate fact from fiction with this group. One look at their bruised bodies, however, does make one wonder what actually is the target of the game - player or ball.

While devoted to the pursuit of strenuous exercise and healthful living, these men do not neglect their social lives. It is a rare Thursday evening that does not find them in the Clarkston Cafe. They are a sentimental lot given to commemorating birthdays, wedding anniversaries, the end of bachelorhood, job transfers, and other

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Clarkston's Dave Bixby shows the classic form so typical of the Classic League of which he is a member.

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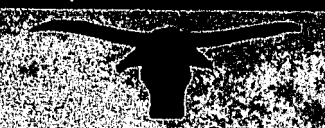
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Classic Paddleball

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such appropriate occasions.

Out of deference to the more delicate sensibilities of the other patrons, Cafe management has placed the league in the far corner of the other room. Their waitress is the one who has either drawn the short straw or is the fastest at refills.

Although Thursday night is the one official night set aside for league play, any wife knows that any other day or night is also a possibility...before work, after work, Saturdays, Sundays, holidays, and, particularly, New Year's Day. The latter is one of their real tests of fortitude and dedication.

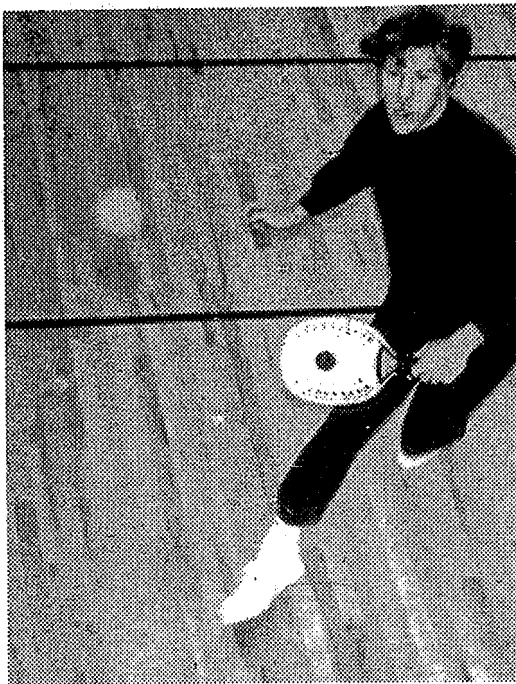
The die-hards in the group have also become adept at weather prognostication. One recent Thursday was accompanied by a snow storm that became progressively worse. The players made an unofficial determination that schools and businesses would be closed the next day thereby providing an excuse to extend the evening resulting in a challenge match at Howe's Lanes in the early hours of the morning.

The entire county may grind to a halt due to extreme winter weather conditions, but paddleball goes on. One devoted player recently spent an entire morning digging out stalled cars blocking his road just to make an 11 O'clock date to play in Rochester.

To really understand the mystique of a paddleball player, one would have to attend one of the semi-annual social gatherings (wives included) of the Classic League. In June a picnic is held regularly at the rural home of one member while the Christmas party is usually held at the home of a member not present when the location was chosen. It's not that group is particularly obnoxious, but some wives have actually refused to host the gatherings.

Working undercover, research for this article was conducted one Thursday night last month during the Christmas party. The combination of good company and good food caused these players to really let their hair down.

Perhaps that's the wrong term to use because four of them can share one coin in the hairdryer. One staunchly defended baldness saying, "The good Lord never



Don Glowaz of Springfield Township is another example of classic form as he goes after that ball.

covered up anything he was ashamed of." At any rate what they lack in hair they make up for in self-esteem.

Other idiosyncracies observed in paddleball players is that they can buy an expensive, well-made paddle and then come home and drill it full of holes to make it lighter to play with. They also have home remedies for over-indulgence, one of them relying on a half package of Oreos when he gets home.

Despite the frivolous nature they all seem to possess, they have enough skill in the game of paddleball to enter state and national tournaments, usually held in Flint and Ann Arbor.

Ironically, last March four of members of the Classic League drove to Flint early one Sunday morning to play each other in the consolation round of the seniors division of the state tournament. Just another example of the strange situations in which they seem to find themselves.

**Winter Special Olympics Scheduled
For Independence Oaks**

On February 4, Winter Special Olympics games will be held for mentally retarded athletes in Oakland County. The games are scheduled from 8 a.m. until approximately 3 p.m. at Independence Oaks in Clarkston. Events will include cross country skiing, ice skating, ice block push, snow sculpturing, skate and score, tug of war, and snowball throw. Olympians will compete on the following levels: advanced, intermediate, beginner, and never tried.

Volunteers are needed to assist the athletes and serve as instructors and coaches. To become a part of the Special Olympics program, call the Oakland County Association for Retarded Citizens at 335-1190. Mary Ann Rickens is the Special Olympics Coordinator for Oakland County.

Special Olympics is a program of year-round sports, training and athletic competition designed to stimulate the physical, social, and psychological development of mentally handicapped people. Special Olympics was created by the Joseph P. Kennedy Foundation and is sponsored in the Oakland County area by the Oakland County Association for Retarded Citizens.

Davisburg Fish Fry January 21

The "Annual Fish Fry," which is a historical event around the Davisburg United Methodist Church for the past 40 years will once again take place on January 21, a Saturday night activity from 5:00-7:00 p.m. The fish, fries, salad, beverage, and desert are prepared by the men.

Music will be provided by Margaret Smith on the piano and electronic pipe organ while you wait to be served. Tickets may be purchased at the door. Proceeds will help to underwrite the many projects the men of the church undertake.

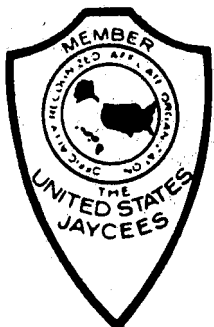
Andersonville School Meeting Thursday

The January 19 meeting of the Andersonville School will be held at 7:30 p.m. in room 13. Mr. Dennis will be there, and a movie on bus safety will be shown.

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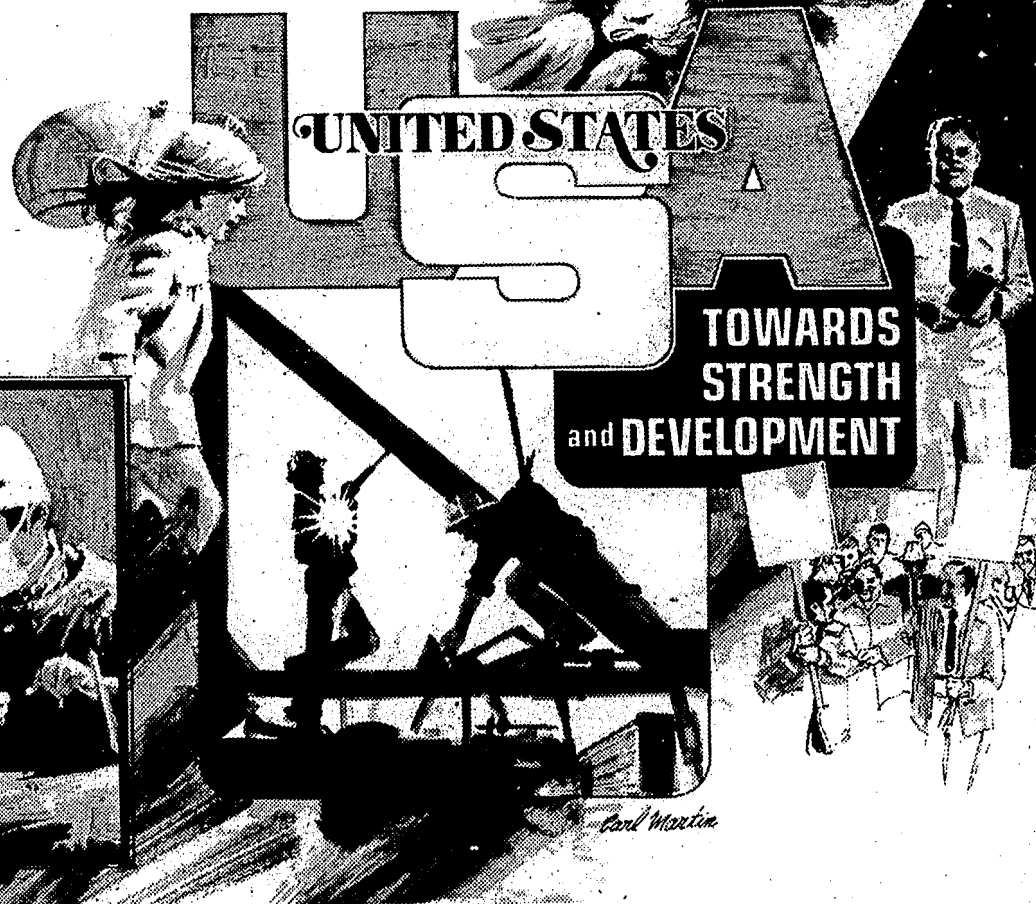
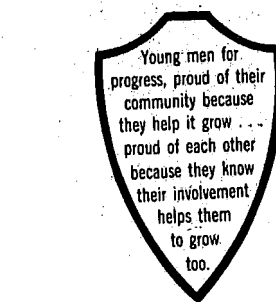
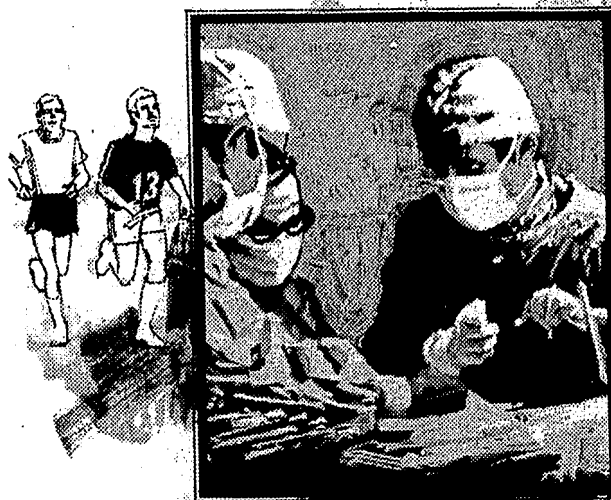
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According to the nineteen-year-old employee, she was talking to a friend when the subject approached and produced a gun, saying, "Give me all your money and don't make any fast moves."

She was directed to place the bank deposit and the contents of the cash register in an orange and white plastic bag. The subject then took off on foot heading west.

Officers of the Oakland County Sheriff's Department arrive responded two minutes later. Six cars patrolling in the vicinity soon arrived and sealed that area off. Tracking dogs led officers to the Greens Lake area but the subject was not found.

The witness described the bandit as a white male, 15-20 years of age, of medium build and wearing a black ski mask with green around the eyes and a dark jacket.

The amount taken has been estimated at over \$100. The investigation is continuing.

Friends of the Library Meeting Rescheduled

Although succumbing to two previous Monday snowstorms, the Friends of the Library will nonetheless try again to hold an organized meeting.

New date and time is Monday, January 23 at 8 p.m. at the Independence Township Library.

All persons interested in joining the organization are urged to attend this meeting.

While everybody's trying to get back to basic wood heaters, Shenandoah never left.

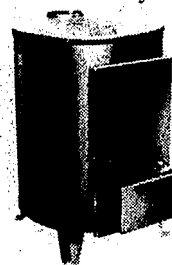
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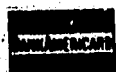
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The Center

six stories high and every section is connected. It's the only building in sight.

The area is beautiful. There are 440 acres of rolling hills, pine clusters and clumps of trees that offer some of the most spectacular views in the area.

Inside the small lobby, the atmosphere continues to be unusual. Nothing takes away from the natural beauty of the area as seen from large windows.

It is quiet and serene. The buzz of a telephone is startling.

Brother Gene Gonya, director of the Center, appears and talks about the changes that have occurred since Colombiere was built 20 years ago.

The mysterious quality of the Center vanishes while talking with Gonya. The spot is quiet with a positive purpose and teeming with activities that involve thousands of people.

Colombiere was built for training men for the Jesuit religious community. It served that function for the Catholic church until 1972 when the name was changed from Colombiere College to Colombiere Center.

Along with the name change came a change in philosophy for the Center.

"A couple of things happened," Gonya explains. "There were changes in the church, and an emphasis on urban involvement in the training program so that a natural setting like Colombiere was pretty much out of it."

In the middle 1960's, the church changed direction to "the people" and opened the door to work with all denominations.

"An example where this would be noticed would be a retreat-conference center like ours," Gonya says.

Now, instead of training about 150 men a year to go out and lead and teach, the facility is available to about 8,000 people a year to "pray and reflect about what life is all about," he says.

The goal of the Center is: "To provide a facility to foster and encourage men and women in their search for God and the meaning of their lives."

Gonya calls the spot "neutral territory." The facility is available for any non-profit, religious or educational group. Retreats and conferences are scheduled for "a month to a day and a half, or two days - sometimes just three or four hours," he says.

Every group "that you can imagine" has used the Center, he says, including religious groups like the Methodist clergy, Lutheran couples, Baptist groups, and Jewish marriage conferences. City councils, Detroit Public Schools and Pontiac Urban League are samples of other groups.

People find Colombiere mainly through word of mouth. "They have a sense of good vibrations while they're here," Gonya says. "That's what we try to encourage."

There are about 160 to 180 people at the Center almost every weekend. The place is big enough and spaced out enough to take care of several groups with different goals. Gonya plans the space to make sure a group involved in lively discussions about policy changes doesn't hold meetings next to a group that's meditating and praying.

There are 150 bedrooms, 12 conference rooms of all sizes, a large dining room, 220 seat auditorium, gymnasium, handball and tennis courts, football and baseball fields, and an outdoor swimming pool.

The rooms are furnished simply with a bed, desk, sink and mirror. Again, nothing detracts from the view offered by the large windows.

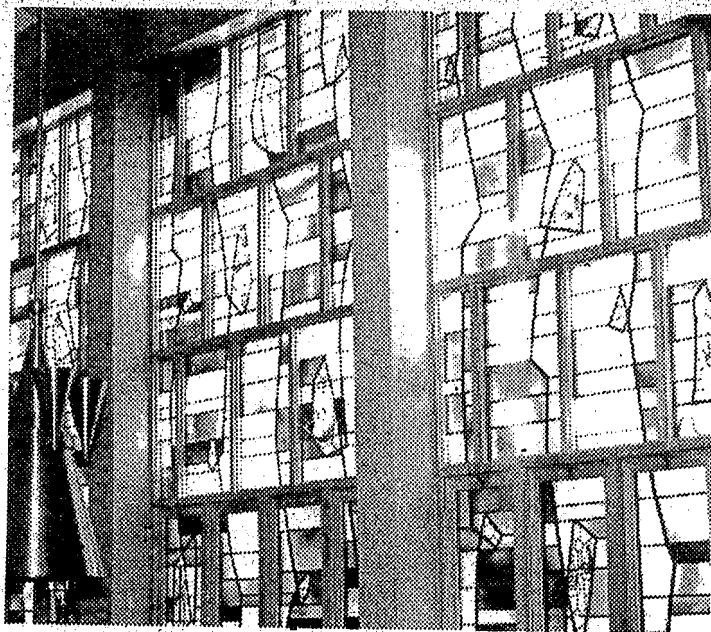
The building is spotlessly clean. Larger conference rooms have a podium and black board.

Throughout the building works of art stand out, perhaps also because of the uncluttered surroundings. Oil paintings, photography and wall hangings are delights to the eye.

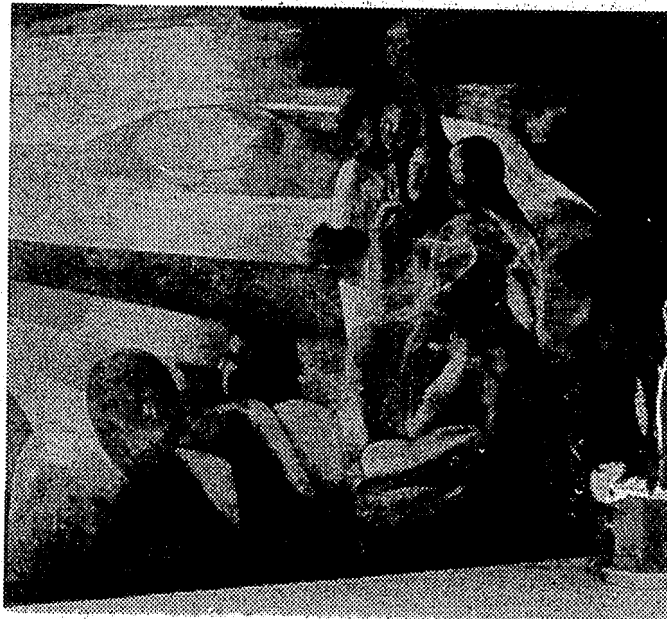
The themes vary from religious to landscapes and artfully captured moments of every day life. Some were done by Jesuits who live in the building and some by visiting nuns, priests and brothers.

Two wall murals were painted by Brother Jerry Pryor, art department director at Xavier University in Cincinnati, Ohio. The murals have religious themes and are alive with bright colors in the central areas and subdued backgrounds.

A large chapel is another spot of simple beauty. Stained glass windows in shades of blue and green



The main chapel's stained glass windows provide light in soft tones of blue and violet.



This is a detail of a mural depicting the miracle of the loaves and fishes.



The serenity of Colombiere Center is further enhanced by a blanket of snow.



A statue of Christ greets visitors to Colombiere.

Photos by Carol Balzarini

enhance the peaceful feeling.

Colombiere serves individuals as well as groups. About 600 people a year come for directed retreats. This type of retreat involves working with people as they pray and is "mostly for people interested in deepening their religious commitment in life," Gonya says.

The facility is also used by students at the Northwest Oakland Vocational Education Center for training in building and ground maintenance.

With 45 acres of lawns and the large building, skills can be developed which would be assets on the job market.

About 20 members of the Jesuit community live at the Center full time. Half of them are retired and an infirmary on the 6th floor houses the older Jesuits who are bed patients.

The Oakland County Sheriff's Department substation is also located in the building. "I'm extremely happy to have them, Gonya says. "They've cut our vandalism down just by their presence."

The acreage surrounding the Center is used for several other purposes. About 80 acres of land is fenced for the cattle project.

About 30 head of cattle are bought each spring. They graze all summer and in the fall, the meat is donated to soup kitchens in Detroit.

The rest of the land is used by groups like Boy Scouts, the YMCA, and the Clarkston Jaycees and Little League. The Clarkston Christian Academy uses the baseball field for soccer games.

An ROTC group from Detroit uses the land for compass and map reading.

But the major function of Colombiere Retreat-Conference Center is to give people a "place to sit and look," Gonya says.

Colombiere offers people a chance to get away from their normal situation and listen to the opinions of others, to quietly think, to decide on a positive education approach or to set church principles.

As Gonya says, Colombiere is a place where people can come and "get their act together."

The Director

By Kathy Greenfield

His vow of poverty doesn't mean he'd give you the shirt off his back.

"I'd rather teach the person to make a shirt," Brother Gene Gonya said, "because he has dignity then and can take care of himself."

"My concept of poverty is to use my talents, resources and abilities for others."

Gonya, 37, is a member of the Roman Catholic Society of Jesus. He is a Jesuit brother. For the past five years, he has been the Director of Colombiere Center and has lived there off and on for about 15 years.

Originally from Ohio, he describes himself as an "Ohio farm boy." He had some training at Colombiere when it was a seminary, then worked in the black community in Detroit. On weekends, he returned to Colombiere and worked on grounds maintenance, "so I was back and forth an awful lot," he said.

Having taken part in Colombiere's transition from a seminary to a retreat-conference center, Gonya said he wouldn't be there if it hadn't changed.

"People are looking; people are searching," he said. "We can teach in the sense of helping people with retreats and counseling, in other words, 'getting their act together,'...that's where I think life is at this point."

He hasn't forgotten his experiences working in the city and is still active in programs to feed the hungry.

"When I took final vows about eight years ago, I had to dispose of what funds I had," he said. He took money he had saved, about \$12,000, paid to fence in 80 acres. Colombiere and bought a herd of cattle.

The Colombiere Cattle Fund was created from this beginning. Each year, cattle are purchased in the spring and they graze during the summer. The amount of weight they gain is donated to soup kitchens in Detroit. The rest of the beef is sold to make money for the following year's herd.

Last year, 16,000 pounds of dressed beef was donated from the herd.

The project is to help fight hunger, one of the major problems Gonya found in the city. He is also actively involved in the Gleaners Community Food Bank, Inc. in Detroit.

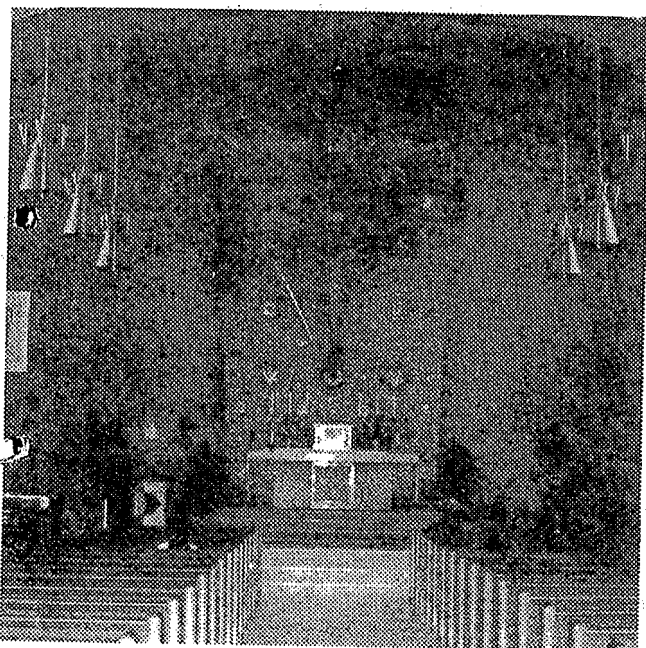
Gonya and "two or three other people" started the program last year, he said. They now have a committee of 14, and a 10,000 square foot warehouse in Detroit. They gather 50 tons of food a month to distribute to agencies that feed the poor and hungry.

Any food a manufacturer or farmer can't sell can be donated to the food bank.

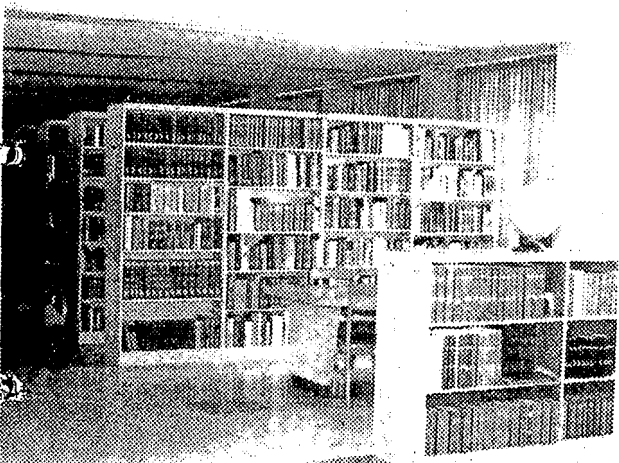
The food provides a tax deduction for the companies and helps feed people who would otherwise go hungry.

As their brochure states, "...the poor we shall always have with us...but why the hungry?"

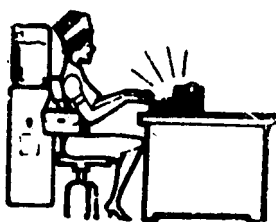
Gonya said he lives under "a different Dynamic" than most people. He can offer his help where it is needed. "To me, that's one of the pluses of a person in a religious community with a certain amount of freedom to move to different places and tackle whatever needs that evolve," he said, "and have the support of a community of men behind you."



The crucifix over the altar of the main chapel is backed by an intricate blue and gold Italian mosaic.



The Center provides an extensive library mainly of theological volumes but with some classics, for the use of its residents and visitors.



Bother Me!

by Mandy Mitts

Dear Mandy,

This year is our 35th wedding anniversary and we were planning on having Open House and serving a buffet style meal which we were going to prepare and serve. We heard something about having pot luck dinners, etc. being against the law unless prepared in a special kitchen. This was heard on the radio. Can you help me?

Mrs. R.R.

Dear Mrs. R.R.,

There is no law in Michigan against pot-luck dinners. A law has been suggested by one of the Health Departments of the State, to cover pot-luck dinners which are held in township halls, etc. The suggestion arose from concern about the possibility of food poisoning on such occasions.

A dinner in your own home, such as you plan for your anniversary, would not be covered by such a law. However, anytime that it is necessary to leave food standing out for a period of time, a cookbook should be consulted as to proper preparation and care.

Congratulations and best wishes on your 35th!

Mandy

INDEPENDENCE POLICE SERVICES
Daily Log

January 6
Chickadee
Clintonville

Rescue Run - Assist I.T.F.D.
Deceased Party

Clarkston Rd.
Paramus
Marysue
Waldon/Varsity

Alarm
Malicious Destruction
Malicious Destruction
Street Light Out

January 7
Pine Knob
Eastlawn
Dixie Hwy.

Property Damage Accident
Malicious Destruction to Mailbox
Property Damage Accident

January 9
Dixie
Mohawk
M-15/Middle Lake Road
Glenalda/Ennismore
M-15/S. I-75

Breaking and Entering
Missing Juvenile
Property Damage
Found Property
Traffic Assist

January 10
Pheasant Run

Breaking and Entering

January 11
Maybee Rd.
Eston Rd.
Pine Knob Rd.
S/B I-75 S/Sashabaw
M-15/Washington

Light Malfunction
Malicious Destruction
Malicious Destruction
Truck-Jack Knifed
Possible Breaking and Entering

FIRE REPORT

January 1

Responded to a rescue run on Drayton Rd. Extricated subject from under carriage of snowmobile. Fleet Ambulance transported to hospital.

January 3

Smoke investigation on Greenview. Upon arrival found damper to fireplace closed.

January 6

First aid run on Riverview. Subject transported to hospital via Fleet Ambulance.

Rescue truck responded to an inhalator run on Chickadee. Fleet Ambulance transported. Independence Township Police Services on scene.

Responded to an inhalator run at Pine Knob Pharmacy. Subject transported to hospital via Fleet Ambulance.

January 9

First aid run at Sashabaw Elementary. Subject transported to doctor's office.

January 10

Inhalator run on Sashabaw. Independence Township Police Services on scene.

January 11

Rescue run on Clintonville and Clarkston Roads. Extrication not required.

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VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
January 9

Meeting called to order by President Hallman at 7:30 p.m. followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Roll: Present - ApMadoc, Basinger, Sage, Schultz, Weber. Absent - Byers.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Moved by Sage, seconded by Schultz to pay the following bills:

Wages and Salaries	\$3522.36
Municipal Services	679.29
Administration	272.45
Legal Fees	590.00
Planner Fee	5000.00
TOTAL	\$10,064.10

Roll: Ayes - ApMadoc, Basinger, Sage, Schultz, Weber. Nays - none. Motion carried.

Using sand instead of salt for the roads in the winter was discussed by the council. Trustee Sage will check

with Gar Wilson on this.

President Hallman stated that Trustee Byers was working on updating the list of people that hadn't hooked into the sewer as yet.

The council discussed whether or not to adopt regulations on banning trapping in the stream through the park. They decided not to, as it is not a major problem at this time.

Trustee ApMadoc reported that she and President Hallman had attended the recent meeting of the Traffic Improvement Association. She recommended that we send a letter in support of their efforts.

Moved by Basinger, seconded by ApMadoc to send a letter in support of the TIA's state "402" program and the federal aid highway safety funding. Motion carried unanimously.

Trustee ApMadoc recommended that the council subscribe to a federal legislative bulletin at a cost of \$96.00 per year so that we would know the availability of federal grants. The council discussed the need for this, and decided to take no action at this time.

Trustee Basinger wanted to know the status of our application for Community Development Funds for a traffic study. Trustee ApMadoc stated that she had talked with Mr. Madole, Community Development Funds Director, and he had told her that they are awaiting fund approval from the state. She will check back with him next week when Mr. Cool's report on Depot Rd. and the planner's report on our Master Plan are in.

Hiring a historian with CETA funds was discussed by the council. Bob Waters said that funds are available, but wants our approval to hire someone for this position. The council decided to wait for more information on the need for such a position.

President Hallman appointed Beth Degener and Fontie ApMadoc as a two-member village beautification committee.

President Hallman appointed Carol Balzarini as our resource representative to the Oakland County Cultural Commission, and the council gave its unanimous approval to the appointment.

Chief McCall and the council discussed the feasibility of adopting a truck control ordinance and the possibility of enforcing it. Chief McCall will check with other communities to see how they handle this.

Moved by Sage, seconded by Weber to give approval to the hiring by the township of a crossing guard for students at the M-15, Middle Lake Rd. intersection, with the village paying the salary for this guard at the rate of \$3.00 per hour, the cost being about \$45.00 per week. Roll: ayes - ApMadoc, Basinger, Sage, Schultz, Weber. Nays - none. Motion carried.

The proposed animal control ordinance will be referred to the township animal control department for their opinions on it.

President Hallman reported that the state highway department had cut down four trees on the road right of way on N. Main without notifying the village. They have

promised to replace these trees in the spring. Correspondence from Richard and Beth Degener was read, concerning this problem and asking us to obtain from the state highway department and the county road commission written confirmation prior to any tree removal along their road right of ways, that stumps will be removed as soon as possible, and that we receive confirmation that tree replanting will take place this spring. The council expressed their unanimous agreement with this and letters will be sent to this effect.

The planning commission requested that the results of our traffic study be submitted to them for their recommendations prior to consideration by the council. If the study comes in by the next meeting, the planning commission will be invited to hear it first hand.

Correspondence from the township building department was read, concerning their notification to the owners of some of the buildings on the east side of S. Main of the loose brick and coping at the tops of these stores, requesting them to make the necessary repairs.

Moved by Sage, seconded by Weber to adjourn at 10:35 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

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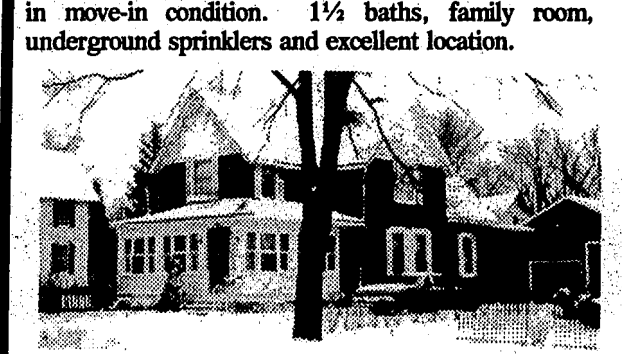
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Sports Scoop

By Elaine Thornton

Serves Win for Clarkston

The girls' volleyball team at Clarkston High opened their season this week with an easy victory.

The match with Avondale was extremely uneventful. Coach Linda Denstadet said, "The major impetus for our victory was because Avondale had a weak reception so we were really strong on our serves."

Clarkston took both matches in two games.

Clarkston Mashes Andover

Clarkston met Bloomfield Hills Andover January 12 for their second victory in dual meets, 63-6. Andover has had a realm of new coaches in the past few years and can't seem to get their steam up.

Clarkston won every class either by pinning or by decision, but contributed several voids to give Andover a few points.

Coach Toby Carter admits, "We're not doing well in dual meets, but we are showing well in tournaments." Clarkston is 2-3 in duals and has taken firsts in two tournaments, second in two tournaments and third in one tournament. Clarkston is #2 in the County standings.

Best performances through the season have been given by Brad Griggs at 140 lbs. with a 15-2 record in duals and Tim Detkowski with 14 and 3. Detkowski is in the 157 weight class.

Mott Clips Clarkston 64-62

The first quarter of play was a seesaw contest with Clarkston building up steam to take a 9 point lead in the second quarter.

Steve Evans came on strong after halftime to score 8 of his 24 point game total. Clarkston seemed doomed without Tim McCormick who is ailing with bronchitis and only played three minutes to score 2 points.

The Wolves saw foul trouble early in the game but circumstances in the last 2 1/2 minutes really cost them the game. Clarkston had possession of the ball, but shot too early and too hurried. A charging foul was called on Tim Birtsas and the chance for a victory looked grim.

Coach Nustad commented, "The silver lining in the clouds was the kids from the bench who played exceptionally well. Turnovers late in the game hurt us and without our 18 point man we couldn't pull out for the win."

One of those benchmen, Greg Robertston, scored 14 points with Birtsas and Pappas each shooting for 6 points. Craig Czinder and Matt Wenzel added 4 apiece with Skip Kulaszewski 2 points.

Andover Slips Past Clarkston 58-54

The Wolves met another demise Friday night against Andover in a league contest.

Wolves Coach Gary Nustad said, "Clarkston was flat. We've played two tough teams in a matter of 3 days. We're still suffering from the Mott loss on Wednesday and with two of our top players ailing, it's not what the

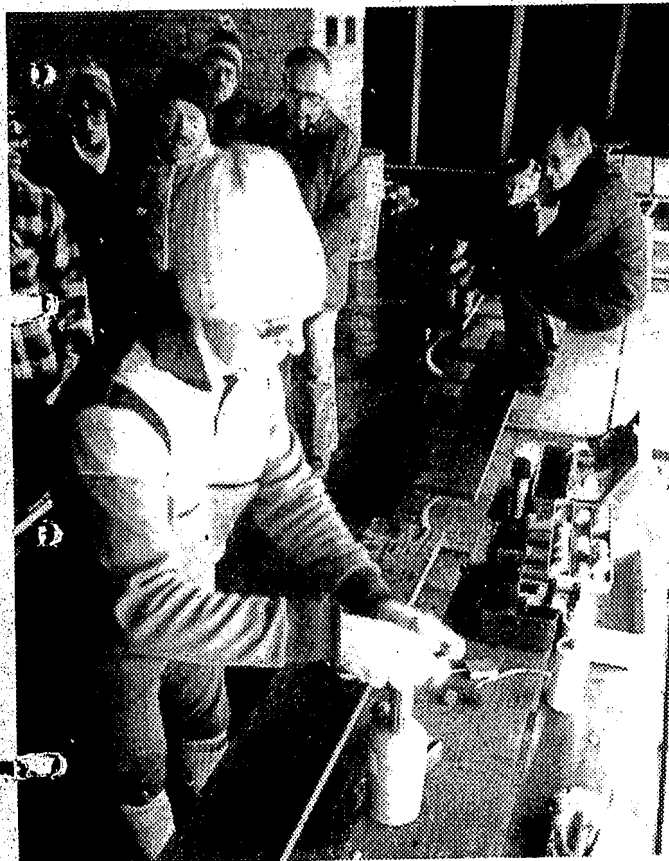
doctor ordered."

The first three quarters were ill fated for Clarkston, but the Wolves fired up in the fourth quarter having several opportunities to nail the ball and perhaps win. But, Andover had a little more steam, and took the victory.

Steven Evans displayed another fine floor game with 18 points. Tim Birtsas, an ailing team member, shot for six points as did Greg Robertson. Kip Pappas had seven points with Matt Wenzel contributing eight.

Still ailing Tim McCormick played only a few minutes but added five points. Craig Cziender had two.

Clarkston is tied for first place with Andover and West Bloomfield. They are 7-3 overall and 3-1 in league play.



Thirty Attend Cross Country Ski Clinic

The weather was foggy and misty. Temperatures hovered around the freezing mark and the ground was only lightly covered with snow.

But 30 hearty souls braved the less than perfect Cross Country skiing conditions to attend a ski waxing clinic at Independence Oaks on Sunday January 8.

And they were rewarded when snow started to fall before the clinic ended - enough to head out and test their skills on the area's largest groomed and marked Cross Country trails.

The clinic was held by Bruce Stone of Bike and Sport Ltd. of Waterford Township. Stone was smartly dressed in a red, yellow and blue ski touring outfit including



knickers, a turtle neck, polyester zip-up wind breaker and knee socks.

He recommended dressing in layers, "preferably wools, cottons and polyesters," he said. His outfit included long underwear and tinted glasses to ward off the sun's glare.

Stone explained the waxes and kit needed for the proper waxing of Cross Country skis.

After facing pages of notes and realizing how easy it is to wax skis and how hard it is to explain the process, I consulted Gary Watson, owner of Bike and Sport Ltd.

"Waxing is really not difficult," he said. "We have systems that are so simple that it takes very little time. I can teach you to wax a pair of skis in 10 or 15 minutes."

"Waxing can be fun," he added. "Some of the best times we have are arguing about which wax to use."

So, if you want to learn how to wax Cross Country skis, spend some time at your favorite ski store and they'll explain the process.

Or, better yet, head for the Scandinavian countries. They make the variety of waxes which are sold in America. But they don't need the waxes there.

Their snow is "fresh, cold and dry," Watson said, and they only use one type of wax or none at all.

Snow Rush '78 to be Held at Independence Oaks

Snow Rush '78 will be held at Independence Oaks on Sunday, January 29. The open competitive races offer fun for all Cross Country skiers.

"The Class A race is for experience racers who have raced before," said Vic Chiasson, recreation supervisor for Oakland County Parks and Recreation, "and the novice races are for people who have just started to ski."

The Class A race will start at 11 a.m. and is about 17 miles long. The races for the less experienced Cross Country skiers start at 2 p.m. with a waxing clinic at 1 p.m. to get them off to a good start on their considerably

shorter trails.

Categories for racers are: Men between ages 19 and 31; men over 32; women ages 19 through 31; women over 32; and Juniors in four classes - 16 to 18, 14-15, 12 to 13, and under 11.

Awards will be given for the three top places in each age group.

"Last year we had 165 people register for the race," Chiasson said. "With the increased popularity of Cross Country skiing, each event gets larger. We expect almost 200 participants this year."

To register the day of the race, Class A skiers should be at the park before 10:30 a.m. and beginners before 1:00 p.m.

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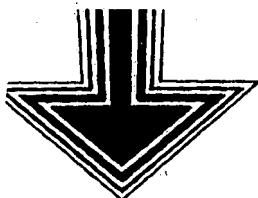
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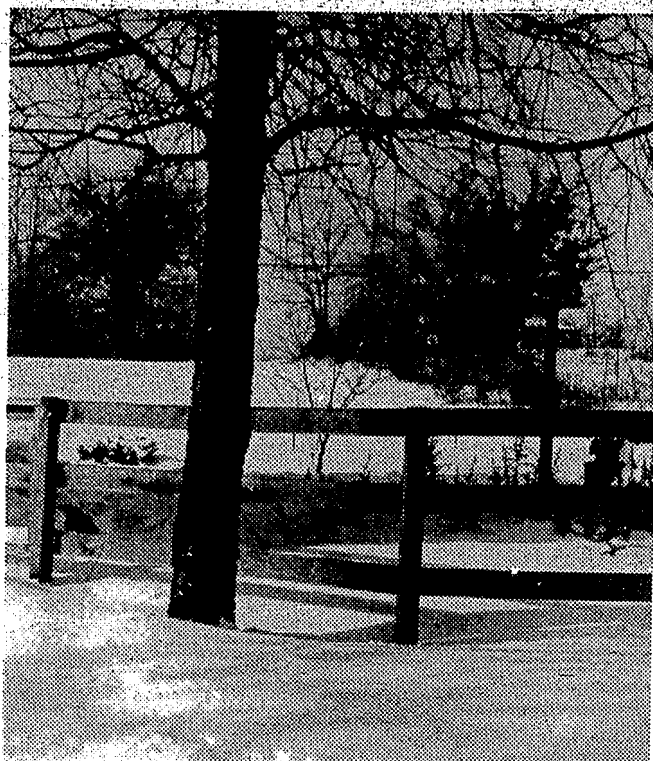
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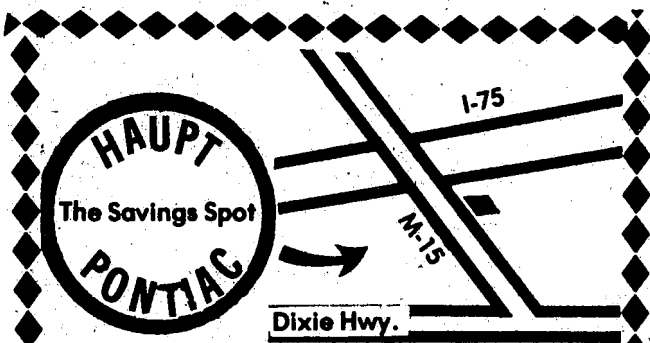
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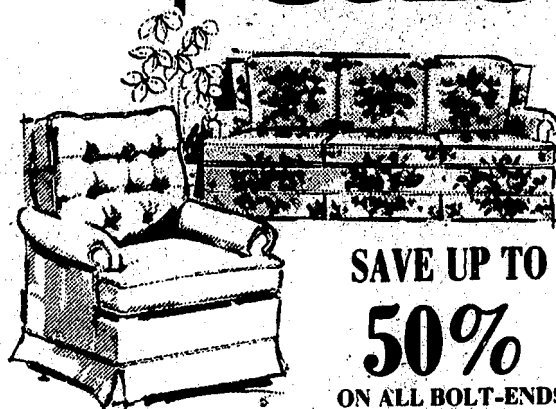
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Singer Dial-A-Matic Zig Zag Sewing Machine. Embroiders, appliques, buttonholes, etc. Late models, school trade-in. Monthly payments of \$59 cash. New machine guarantee. Universal Sewing Center. Phone FE 4-0905.

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Bassett Spanish bedroom outfit. 3 years old. Excellent condition. Head board, triple dresser, w/mirror, nightstand, large chest. Very reasonable. Call mornings 627-4032, nights 634-7176.

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Losing The Battle of the Budget? Help your income keep up with your outgo through pleasant, part time work. Training provided. Call 627-3393 evenings 7-9 for an appointment.

Aquarium Supplies - Odds & Ends sale. Aquariums, heaters, filters, lights. Some used, some damaged, up to 75% savings. Limited supply. Clarkston Aquarium, 625-0150.

Sunday Special - Bring this ad and receive 25% off on all fish you purchase during January. No limit. Clarkston Aquarium, Sunday 12-3 p.m.

Antique Victrola. Working condition. Converted to double as a liquor cabinet. \$100 or best offer. 625-0150 or 634-4796.

Antique Oak Table \$80, 4 ladder back chairs \$65 set. 625-0150 or 634-4796.

Singer Dial-A-Matic Zig Zag Sewing Machine in modern walnut cabinet-makes designs, appliques, buttonholes, etc. Repossessed. Pay off \$53 cash or monthly payments. Guaranteed. Universal Sewing Center. FE 4-0905.

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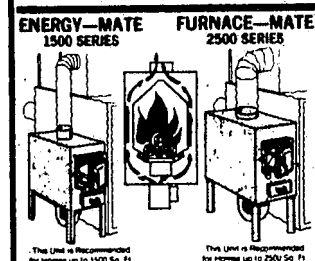


This is a winter version of a photograph taken by Carol Balzarini of the Village Park last fall. The latter photograph was featured recently as a winner in the Oakland Press photo contest.

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The ENERGY-MATE is designed to be a supplement to your present heating system. It utilizes the same air ducts and chimney that your present gas or oil furnace uses. The forced-air from the ENERGY-MATE activates the blower of your present furnace and circulates the warm air through your present furnace heat ducts.

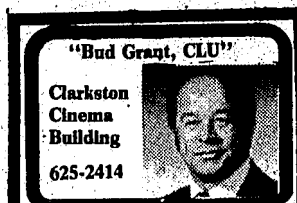
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625-9422

For Sale - Pine trestle table, deacon bench and six chairs.
Good condition. \$200. 627-3091.

Balance Beam - For sale. 627-2139.

For Sale - Firewood \$25 - pick up, \$30 delivered. Call after
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Registration: Balanced Living Yoga morning, evening classes
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29 Gal. Aquariums \$16.95. Other sizes also on sale.
Complete 10 gal. package \$19.95. Clarkston Aquarium.

M & M Rent It Shop

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Winter Hours: Closed Wednesday thru March

Snowplowing - Driveways, parking lots, etc. day or night.
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For Sale - '75 Dodge Van. This is a show van. Stop in and see
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Income Tax Service - Call 627-3924, 455 Oakwood Rd.,
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Clarkston.

Newfoundland Puppies - Female, 10 wk. old, healthy, \$25.
625-1970 after 5.

Wanted: Information leading to the whereabouts of Delilah,
formerly with the local unisex salon. Since she left, I just
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Box Z.

Professional typing, my home, 10 years experience. \$7 hour.
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Snowplowing - Day or night. Gary 627-2260.

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Personal - Would the "nice lady" who asked my
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Your two male gerbils are now fourteen, and I suspect there
will be more before I get this ad to the paper. If you don't
contact me, I swear I'll get a hit man out after you! Jenny
Smith, Park St. 555-2434.

Barn Boards and Rough Cut Wood. Timbers, beams and ties.
Sidewood, slabwood and firewood. Custom sawing.
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Davisburg Methodist Church Fish Supper, Jan. 21, 5-7 p.m.
Family - \$10.00. Adult - \$2.50. 5-12 - \$1.50. Under 5 - Free.
Public invited.

Chihuahua Puppies 2 males, 1 female, 8 weeks. 652-0545
after 6.

Middle Aged Couple would like to rent 2 or 3 bedroom
year-round home on lake, 20 mile radius of Goodrich.
517-725-9860.

January Sale
10% off on all beads
The Jute Joint - Across from K-Mart in Lake Orion
Macrame Supplies and Classes, Ceramic Pots
693-4749

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Trade discounts allowed - open daily - 8-8 Sun. 10 - 4.

Federated Income Tax Service for standard income tax form.
Low prices and prompt service. 627-2344.

For Sale - 4 10 x 15 General White Letter Tires. 4 15 x 8
8-spoke white wheels - 5 bolt. 627-3445.

1977 Firebird Esprit with Rear Spoiler, many options, 7800
miles. 673-1905 after 6:00.

Dutch Auction - All sweaters - 40% off Wagon Wheel
Specials. Bottom Blues, 31 S. Main, Clarkston.

1977 Pontiac Ventura V-6 engine, 15,000 miles, automatic,
many options. \$3300.00. 634-5240.

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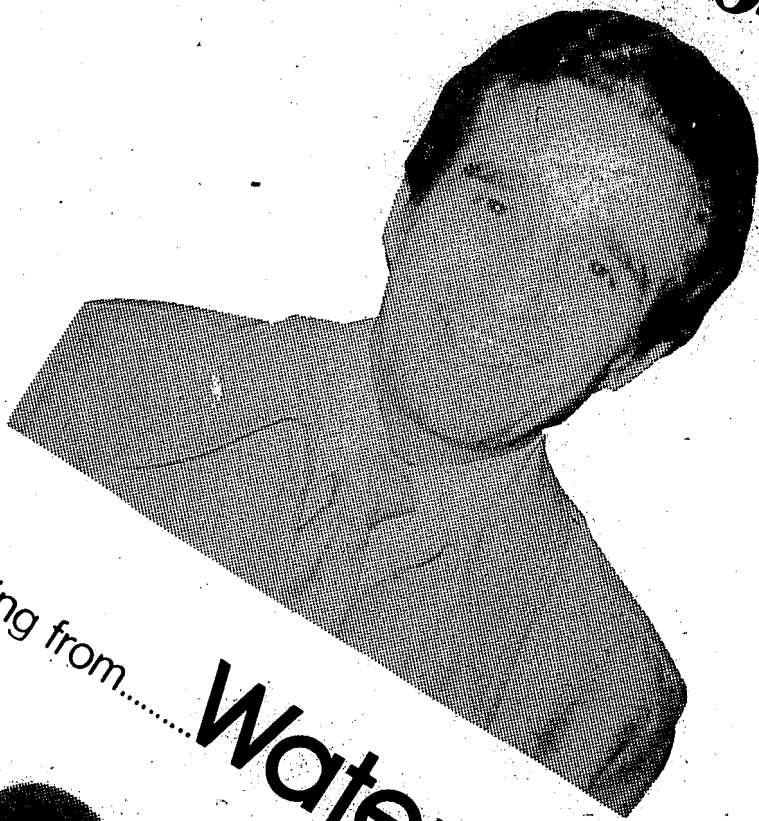
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