

# Area Poles Voice Concern

by Denise Fox Luczki

"If people of the free world do not oppose communism now, we may find it at our doorstep next," John Dabrowski, Balmoral Court, Waterford.

Maybe we of the free world only think that we are free, and in reality we are enslaved by the fear of the monster we have created ourselves," Eugene Bereznicki, Andersonville Road.

Recent events in Poland are very real to local Polish Americans. Living a comfortable American life has not lessened their concern or diminished their anger. Foreign born Polish-Americans have lived under Polish oppression, the American born sons and daughters have heard first hand accounts of it. To foreign-born Polish Americans John Dabrowski and Eugene Bereznicki and their families, martial law in Poland is not a single event, but part of a 36-year struggle for peace and freedom.

Solidarity "is not a labor movement, it's a social movement," Dabrowski said.

The Dabrowskis have aunts, uncles and cousins in Poland and until martial law was imposed were in communication with their family. Recent letters spoke of shortages. One aunt wrote of standing in line for two days to get a food ration.

Dabrowski's wife, Halina elaborated, "There is no soap, no medicine. Newborn babies are dying in the hospitals. People don't realize how bad it is. "It is the government's way of pressuring the people to give up," Dabrowski said. This Week's Super Bowl Winners

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These three along with nine others to be chosen the next three weeks will be finalists in The Reminder's Super Bowl Ticket contest. Halina told of a friend who recently had been visiting her dying father in Poland and was told by an official of the Polish Army, hospital to pack her things and leave. She arrived back in Michigan the day before martial law was imposed.

To Bereznicki and his wife, Czesława, separated in 1940 on their wedding day by the Russian Army and not reunited until 1974, the imposition of martial law in Poland is "an awful thing". In the 1940's, Bereznicki spent time in a Russian concentration camp, Czesława was imprisoned for writing anticommunist songs and poems.

Bereznicki feels that the strength of the church in Poland is a good indication of the failure of the Communist system. Polish youth "should all be atheists and communists with their communist upbringing," but instead, "in Poland all young people are religious."

Czesława Bereznicki noted when she left Poland in the early 1970's that support for the communist system was very weak. "People were always making jokes about the government. They hate the system and hate the Russians even more."

Solidarity members are young. They are proof that "Communist Poland never succeeded in enforcing their ideology," Dabrowski said. "Young people brought up and educated in the communist system don't support it."

The Dabrowski's and Bereznicki's felt it urgent for the United States to continue to prossure the Polish government.

"Every man has a limit on what he can take and 1 think the Polish are at their limit. People are hungry and need things to wear," Bereznicki said.

"Some people say that martial law has improved the situation. Much food was probably stored by the government for martial law," Dabrowski said. "Martial law was probably planned for the winter to minimize resistance."

People in Poland were expecting a crackdown. Dabrowski's have heard reports of Solidarity making preparations for trouble organizationally by secretly electing at least two echelons of authority, standing by, ready To see how you can possibly win a pair of Super Bowl tickets turn to Page 2.

to continue the battle for their rights. According to WMZK's daily Polish Varieties Hour, underground news sources say that Solidarity members outside of Poland are organized and are gathering any news that is seeping out, Dabrowski explained.

"We can be sure that they have not given up. Which way of resistance they will select we will see," Dabrowski said. pressure the Polish government. Dabrowski's have sent letters to senators and congressmen and to President Reagan, backing U.S. pressure on Poland. Bereznicki sent President Reagan a telegram asking him to recognize the Russian backing he feels is behind Polish martial law.

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James Karbowski, Pine Knob Road, Clarkston, a third generation Polish-American concurs. Calling the Polish leader quislings he said, "World opinion is the greatest weapon we have."

Bereznicki's son Ronald, Bridge Lake Road, Springfield Township, said, "The Polish community in this country has contributed a lot to this nation. We should not turn our backs on them now."



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## **OES Dinner January 10**

Joseph C. Bird, Order of the Eastern Star will be having a dinner on January 10, from 12 til 3 p.m. at the Clarkston Masonic Temple.

# **Library Hosts Legal Clinic**

A free legal clinic with Martin E. Price, attorney, consisting of a group session of questions and answers with individual counseling available, will be held at the C.A.I., 5640 Williams Lake Road in Waterford on Tuesday, January 19, at 7 p.m. For further information, required registration and appointments, call the Waterford Township Branch Library at 673-6220.

## **AAUW to Hear Kraud**

The Waterford Branch of the American Association of University Women will meet at 7:30 on Thursday, January 7, at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church, 3795 Sashabaw Road.

Mr. Robert Kraud, a member of the International Association of Financial Planners and Shearson/American Express, Inc., will be our speaker this month. He will help us to explore the topic of "Money Talks". Come and learn how to make your first million by making all of your money work for you.

All Waterford-Clarkston area women who are college graduates are welcome to attend. For further information, call 625-9467.

# Snowmobile Safety Offered

The Holly Community Education Center will be offering a Snowmobile Safety Course for students 12-16 years of age, on January 11 and 13, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Community Education Center, 111 College Street. There is no charge for the course. To preregister contact the Holly Community Education office at 634-7341 between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.





# Autorama at Cobo

Actor Patrick Duffy, who stars in the role of Bobby Ewing on TV's smash evening soap-opera "Dallas" will join Randi Oakes from "Chips" and Ted McGinley from "Happy Days" in making personal appearances at the 30th annual Autorama custom car show January 8-10 at Cobo Hall. With more than 400 custom cars, boats, and trucks on display, a crowd of over 140,000 is expected to see the stars and cars.

### LaLeche to Meet

The Pontiac-West La Leche League will meet on Tuesday, January 12, at 7:30 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Randy Connop, 5815 Hat-chery, Drayton Plains. The discussion for the evening will include encouragement and information on how to establish a happy nursing relationship. For further information call 681-7498.

# **Moonlight Skiing January 8**

Ski the trails of Independence Oaks County Park by night at the "Moonlight Cross Country Ski Tour" on Friday, January 8 from 7:30-9 p.m.

Park guides will take groups over the fourkilometer Lakeshore Trail around Crooked Lake.

Pre registration is required. Call Kathleen Dougherty at 858-0903.



# **Library Sponsors Stories**

Pre-School Story Time at Independence Township Library is Tuesday, January 12 at 4:30 p.m. and Wednesday, January 13 at 11 a.m. Films for these days are: "Tasting," exploring the sense of taste, and "Peter's Chair," about a little boy who has problems accepting his new baby sister.

After School Movie Hour is Wednesday, January 13 at 4:30 p.m. Films for this date are "Seven Wishes of a Rich Kid," a video fairy godmother warns a rich kid that money alone isn't enough. Two short films are "Magoo's Puddle Jumper" and "Conrad, Josie and the Zoomerang.'



# **Comedy Ballet Visits**

Les Ballets Trockadero de Monte Carlo ugliest unquestionably the ballerinas in the world. That is, until they features start to dance -- then they are the funniest. This world famous all-male ballet company will return for their third engagement at Music Hall January 6 through 9.

Les Ballets Trockadero de Monte Carlo will perform Wednesday through Saturday, January 6-9, with all shows at 8:30 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at Music Hall or any CTC outlet. MasterCard or VISA phone orders are possible by calling 963-7680.



# Newman at Masonic

Phyliss Newman, the actress-comediennesinger-dancer of movies, Broadway and TV talk shows comes to Masonic Temple's Cathedral Theatre in "Madwoman of Central Park West" from January 5 through 24. This critically acclaimed one-woman show

in Newman's autobiography, she says, but it hits home for many women trying to juggle their lives to accommodate marriage, children and career.

"Madwoman" is, in fact, about a woman caught in "a Cuisinart mash of motherhood, wifehood and selfhood all stubbornly refusing to blend," says Newman, who with Arthur (The Way We Were) Laurents, wrote

Tickets for this final offering of Masonic's the play. Premier Season are on sale now at the Masonic Box Office, all CTC outlets and by phone at 832-2232 (with Mastercard or Visa).

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# Judge Dissolves Arcade Restraining Order

by Kathy Rush

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Whether you approve or not, Independence Township will soon be graced with its own vídeo arcade; so says Robert Warrington.

Of late, Circuit Court Judge Francis X. Q'Brien has ruled that the temporary restraining order placed on the proposed Game Room be dissolved as of January 15, 1982 and the case be dismissed from court. In the effort to establish the arcade in a building adjacent to the Clarkston True Value Hardware located at 5800 Ortonville Road out of the circuit courtroom, Robert Warrington, owner of the proposed Game Room took his case to the Planning Commission on December 10 in hopes of receiving site plan approval.

After a lengthy discussion by both parties, the Planning Commission unanimously voted to table the matter until the next meeting to be held January 14, 1982. During the interim, they were to determine whether plans are consistent with the the requirements of the Independence Township zoning and building ordinance.

Warrington, however, refused to wait any longer for a decision to be made by the township. Instead, he once again sought circuit court action in a special hearing held

This time it was to Warrington's advantage as Judge O'Brien did rule for a dissolution of the temporary restraining order issued on

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November 6, to go into effect January 15, 1982, just one day after the Independence Commission's Planning Township scheduled meeting.

Warrington now says, "Even if the Planning Commission attempts to stall a decision or even refers it to the Zoning Board of Appeals, it does not matter -- the Game Room can still open on the fifteenth."

Township attorney, Richard Campbell, however, has a differing opinion.

(Kenneth planner township "The Delbridge) has indicated there are set back problems and problems with parking," said Campbell in reference to Warrington's latest site plan which depicts the conversion of two

# Ski Lessons for Blind

Blind individuals of all ages can learn to ski cross country with the help of guides at several clinics offered by the Oakland County Parks.

Cross country skiing for the blind is just one of the programs for the handicapped being developed by Monica Walch, therapeutic recreation coordinator for the Oakland County Parks and Recreation Commission.

Walch says that cross country skiing is a great winter activity for the handicapped because it's easier to learn and safer than downhill skiing and facilities for the sport are more readily available.

On January 30 and February 13 the clinics will be at White Lake Oaks Golf Course on South Williams Lake Road off M-59 in Pontiac.

Pre-registration is required. All clinics are from 1-3 p.m.

For more on Oakland County Parks programs for the handicapped, call Monica Walch at 858-1441.





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According to Robert Warrington, owner of the proposed Game Room, the sign in front of his arcade will soon be reading, "Open as of January 15, 1982". Circuit Court Judge Francis X. O'Brien has recently ruled that the temporary restraining order be dissolved as of this day.

existing retail stores to a proposed minimall.

Campbell contends that if there is a violation in the zoning ordinance, then the Planning Commission does have the authority to step in.

"I believe the Judge's intentions in dissolving the restraining order and dismissing the case is to force the Planning Commission into making a decision one way or the other," he said.

Township planner, Kenneth Delbridge, was unavailable for comment at press time.

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Kethy McReynolds

On page four of this week's paper we've composed a little survey in which we'd like you take part. So please take out your pencil and answer the questions found within the

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Believe it or not, we depend a great deal on survey. this survey. Last year results showed a strong interest in classified ads and letters to the editor. We responded by attempting to increase both of those sections. Likewise, those columns or groups of articles that were unpopular in the survey were either eliminated or downgraded. Surprisingly, high school sports and township government, both received rather low marks on the last survey.

We also use the survey to develop ideas and topics for articles. If two or three people happen to write they would like to see more coverage on boat racing - we'll do our best to bring you more information on that particular

So you see - this particular survey is not topic. something that will be tossed into the wastebasket. It will help The Reminder plan its editorial coverage for the next year. So won't you please take five minutes to fill it out and send the form back to us. We'd really appreciate hearing from you.

This is one of a series of articles by Roland C. Fancher, Assistant Friend of the Court for Oakland County, concerning the operations of that office. If you have questions regarding the functions of the Friend of the Court, address them to Mr. Fancher in care of this publication. Questions of general interest will be answered in later articles. Questions regarding individual cases should be submitted directly to the Office of the Friend of the Court.

The previous article in this series offered some suggestions to the visiting parent designed to make visitation a more meaningful experience for parent and child. This article deals with advice to the custodial parent.

Recently, a new provision was added to the Child Custody Act of 1970. This provision deals largely with visitation. It requires the Court to consider as one factor in awarding custody "the willingness and ability of each of the parents to facilitate a close and continuing parent-child relationship between the child and other parent". If you deny visitation or otherwise seek to separate the child from the other parent, it can be used against you in a custody dispute. To satisfy this requirement, you must encourage the child's relationship with the visiting parent despite any dislike you may have for your ex-spouse. The following suggestions may assist you in

accomplishing this goal. 1. Have the child ready on time for

visitation. 2. Have the child properly dressed for whatever activity is planned.

3. Advise the visiting parent of necessary medication and possible illness of the child.

4. If you have issues to discuss (e.g. support, property, medical bills, etc.) do not discuss them at the time of visitation. Call your ex-spouse at another time. Don't start your child's visitation with an argument between his parents.

5. Do not refuse visitation to get support. The court treats the issues separately, and you may be found in contempt for violating the visitation order. Your child needs support and visitation.

Behavioral scientists tell us that frequent contact with the non-custodial parent is helpful in the child's adjustment, even if the

parent-child relationship was poor before the divorce. However, neither parent should make these visits a source of fighting or a test of loyalty. A child needs constant reassurance that both parents will continue to love, care for, and protect him. He may fear that if the parents can stop loving each other, they may some day stop loving him.

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Some suggestions to both parents are also in order. First, divorce has not changed your former spouse. Those same bad habits which bothered you while you were married still remain.

Don't use your children to spy on the other parent. They will learn what you want to hear and tailor their remarks accordingly. They also may quickly learn to play one parent

against the other. If you can't speak civilly to your ex-spouse, establish and follow a strict visitation schedule. If you can't work one out between the two of you, seek assistance from the Friend of the Court.

Visitation schedules can be changed, either through mutual agreement or by court order. Adjustments may be necessary from time to time according to the child's age, health, interests, and special activities. Both parents should be reasonable.

It is hoped that the suggestions in this article will make visitation more beneficial for the child. However, if visitation problems develop which you can't resolve, contact the Friend of the Court.





#### SAY YOU SAW IT IN THE REMINDER THURSDAY JANUARY 7, 1982 PAGE NINE

MIKE MORROW'S TRIVIA



It's hard for me to believe it is 1982 already. There is a whole new year awaiting us and Lord only knows what's in store. Well, I know what's in store because I consulted my psychic for her New Year predictions. Here they are:

1. Nancy Reagan will tire of her socialite image and embark on a wide ranging social reform program that will promise to put a Cornish game hen in every pot and a Halston in every closet.

2. Every school millage proposed this year will pass when parents realize that if they don't, their darling children will be forced to spend every waking moment at home with them.

3. Suzanne Somers new T.V. series will be met with boo's from the critics because of its silly plots and sexual innuendo. It will, of course, be the number one show of the year.

4. Debby Boone will publish the second volume of her autobiography. It will be titled Debby Boone, The Last Twenty Minutes Since The First Book Was Published. It will contain sizzling gossip such as her and her husband's first fight because he drank all the Ovaltine and her father's reaction to her daring new hairdo.

5. General Hospital's ratings will fall when viewers fail to go for the new pairing of Luke and Alice Grant (if you don't get this joke, congratulate yourself, it means you're working and don't have time for a silly soap).

6. Elton John will make a comeback by saying "I'm not really bi-sexual, it was just a joke, now will you please start buying my albums again?"

7. President Reagan's economic policies will begin working and the United States will enter a new period of dazzling economic growth if you belie e that one I have some sea front property in Montana you might be



interested in).-

After looking forward to what's in store for us, it's easier to understand why the nostalgia craze is so popular. People want to go back to a time when they had a choice whether or not they wanted to see Ronald Reagan and T.V. was just a dream in Freddie Silverman's mind.

I guess we'll just have to grin and bear it. HAPPY NEW YEAR!



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# 85 Years Old and Still Going Strong Brinker's Been in Plumbing Since 1927

by Denise Fox Luczki

It's all in the family at Brinker's Plumbing. Brinker's son and son-in-law, daughter, granddaughter and grandson all work down at the shop. At the head of the family tree is Brinker himself, looking at 85 years and still workina.

George Brinker first opened Brinker Plumbing in 1927, working out of the garage behind his house. He had tried other jobs -farming, selling and running a hotel, but did not like them.

"If you like a job it's not work," he said. 'So I kept changing jobs until I found one I liked.'

Plumbing was it. So in 1932 Brinker bought the property where his shop now stands. It was 1945 before the shop was built though. Brinker believes in taking it slow. "In those days, you couldn't jump right into a business like they do today," he explained. "You may break your neck."

But business was good and by 1947 Brinker had to double the size of his building and had fourteen employees.

It has been twenty-five years since Brinker has been out on the job. Most of his time is spent in the back of the shop at the bench repairing pumps. His son, Howard Brinker, and son-in-law, Burt Fangel, both master plumbers, run the business.

Retirement is not in Brinker's plans. "What for?" he said. "Why give something up if you enjoy it?" 'He does take it a little easier though, coming in when he's ready each morning. He still stays until 6 p.m. every night. Vacation is a foreign word to Brinker, though he admits to taking a few days off every now and then.

Brinker's Plumbing is a well-known and trusted business in the area. A letter on the wall is testimony to that: "Thank you so much for the speedy and excellent service." That was just one of dozens of similar letters.

As one customer was searching carefully for a special part Brinker offered his assistance and recommendations for the problem. The customer had previously dealt with Brinker's before. "You're the expert," he said.

Brinker's Plumbing is very helpful to do-ityourselfers, helping customers locate parts and making recommendations. Brinker said, "We have a lot more people trying to do it themselves these days. Then when they mess it up they call us."

Brinker's Plumbing is unique in that they train plumbers. They can only afford to train one or two plumbers at a time. Brinker's grandson just took his state test to be licensed as a Master Plumber. Presently clerking in the front of the shop, Brinker's granddaughter plans to go on to get her Master Plumber's license too. Her license will represent our changing world well, but will still keep the business all in the family.



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On December 26th our funeral home was partially amaged by a serious fire.

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The many kindnesses, support and helpfulness from our friends and business associates have been overwhelming. Our faith has been strengthened and our appreciation is boundless.

Sincerely, Lew and Diane Wint 625-5231







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# Mt. Brighton Purchases **Snow Cannon**

Phil Janke, Mt. Brighton's Master Snowmaker, readies an initial salvo from Mt. Brighton Ski Area's newest addition to its famed "Snow-Making Capital of the Midwest" arsenal.

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World War I Veterans and Auxilians of Clinton Valley Barracks were not forgotten at this Christmas season as they met at the Springfield Township Hall Saturday, December 12. Dinner was at noon at tables attractively decorated with garlands of evergreens and candy stuffed stockings donated by Veterans of Foreign Wars. Small bags of fruit were distributed to everyone. Star Christmas tree ornaments and miniature stockings were gifts of interested guests. Lap robes for our Veterans in nursing homes were displayed. An exchange of cards and good wishes followed the Auxiliary meeting and Barracks report. Next meeting will be January 9, 1982.

Obituary

Schiele, Peter; of Independence Twp.; December 28, 1981; age 82; husband of Golden; father of Mrs. Bernie (Irene) Martin of Indepen-dence Twp., Mrs Alma Parris of Pontiac, Mrs Milton (Amanda) Foltz of Drayton Plains, Robert Schiele of Drayton Plains, Mrs. James (Ella May) Booth of Waterford, Mrs. Ronnie (Christina) Lepper of Clarkston, Mrs. Duane (Betty) Fornwall of Pontiac, William Schiele of Pontiac, Mrs James (Dora) Wiggins of Independence Twp.; also survived by 38 grangreat-19 and dchildren grandchildren; brother of Martin Schiele of Montana. Mr. Schiele was retired from Chippewa Fence Company, Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Lewis E. Wint Funeral Home, Clarkston.



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"Luminarias", or little candle lights, is the name of the custom which reaches back to the first Christmas when shepherds lit bonfires along the way to Bethlehem. In



medieval times the fires were replaced by candles.

The tradition entered the United States in the Spanish territory which is now New Mexico. The simple candle-lit paper lanterns differ from region to region. Mexico used multi-colored paper lanterns. As the custom spread through the Southwest and into the Midwest the lanterns were replaced by white paper bags.

A Waterford Hill subdivision resident read of the Luminarias in the Chicago Daily News in 1977. This information was given to the Waterford Hill Women's Club who started the tradition in the subdivision the next year.

Pastor Clancy Thompson, Drayton Heights Free Methodist Church, and his family observed the custom last Christmas at the Waterford Hill home of Chuck and Micki Harding. And the custom was carried to the congregation of the church this year.

The luminaria kits are purchased from Candle-Lite/Christian of Loveland, Ohio. Each kit contains 10 five-inch "plumber's candles" which burn about eight hours and 10 white paper bags about the size of a large lunch bag. Sand or some other weight is used to hold down the bags and provide a base for the candles. The top of the bag is folded down about two inches to hold it open and to form a darker band above the lighted sides of the bag.

Any group or persons interested in further spreading the "luminaria" tradition for next vear may contact Pastor Clancy Thompson, 623-1224, or Micki Harding, 623-9518.



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The computerized unit is not only considered to be fast in its analysis (processing approximately 70 samples an hour), but it has proved to be very accurate as well. It is capable of analyzing both blood and urine samples.





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# Death: Wint Lives to Teach Its Acceptance

#### by Kathy Rush

**Editor's Note:** 

Just by coincidence, the following interview with Lew Wint took place shortly after



the occurrence of a kitchen fire at his residence on Overlook Street and just prior to a second disastrous, early-morning fire that happened the day after Christmas at the funeral home where Wint was forced to move his family.

Today, until the kitchen is remodeled, the Wints are roughing it in the basement of their house on Overlook because, "they hate to impose on anyone," including even their daughter, Joy, who resides in Independence Township.

The following account, totally unrelated to the duel catastrophies that have struck the Wint family, is provided by a sensitive man who has shed light on an equally sensitive subject -- one which we all do our best to ignore.

I shall die, but that is all that I shall do for Death.

I hear him leading his horse out of the stall; I hear the clatter on the barn floor.

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Though he flick my shoulders with his whip, I will not tell him which way the fox ran. With his hoof on my breast,

I will not tell him where the black boy hides in the swamp.

I shall die, but that is all that I shall do for Death; I am not on his payroll.

I will not tell him the whereabouts of my friends nor of my enemies either.

Though he promises me much,

I will not map him the route to any man's door.

Am I a spy in the land of the living,

that I should deliver men to Death? Brother, the password and the plans of our city are safe with me:

never through me Shall you be overcome.

D-E-A-T-H.

--Edna St. Vincent Millay

A fixed and well-recognized sequence of letters.

Death has always been a part of our lives, although not always represented clearly in our minds. Very little in our educational background can be called upon for-guidance. Neither our cultural heritage nor our specific education and training have prepared us to understand and cope with the place of death in our lives and thoughts.

We have shown an unmistakable tendency to put death aside, to eliminate it from life," wrote Sigmund Freud in 1918.

We fear death but we do not discuss it.

Death is still the taboo, essentially the last remaining one, of our time, surpassing even sex which is now openly discussed in elementary school classrooms. Yet who will talk about death, the inevitable end of life?

To exist and to exist no longer. Each of us must face it at some point during our relatively insignificant stay on Earth but, how do we prepare for the ending of life?

Awareness of death has increased substantially in our society, recently. Over the past few years, the taboo has been partially lifted, says Lew Wint, funeral director at Wint's Funeral Home in Independence Township.

"The younger generation, particularly



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among the clergy and funeral directors, has brought about a change in philosophy." Wint says there has been a concerted effort among these people to help bring the uncomfortable subject of death, a fact of life, out of the closet.

Having been a mortician for a number of years, the credibility of Lew Wint is beyond doubt. He has witnessed, first-hand, this change in thinking since the year 1959 when he and his wife, Diane, opened the funeral home located on Ortonville Road near Dixie Highway where the land formerly housed a roadside park.

"This generation is a bit more inquisitive than generations gone by. People today are not willing to accept simple answers without first checking them out," explained Wint. "I think this is healthy and I'm supportive of it because I believe in what I do and the value of jt."

Wint is not only a funeral director 365 days a year, 24 hours a day, but is also actively involved in giving frequent lectures within the community on the subject of death.

These death-education talks are also presented by Wint to Clarkston High School students each semester. He feels very strongly about his efforts to increase people's awareness and understanding to the concept of death and dying and, moreover, these lectures are the most rewarding aspects of his job, he relates.

"I'm really on my soapbox when it comes to death and children," Wint said em-phatically, who believes an early exposure to the death of another can be helpful to a

That's funeral director, Lew Wint (right) at the funeral home he and his wife, Diane, opened Independence Township in almost twenty-three years ago on March 1, 1959.

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child's acceptance to this irrevocable fact of life.

Learning to accept death is an inevitable experience in life which cannot and must not be ignored, he says. More importantly, a child should not only be exposed to death, but should also be prepared for and guided through the period of loss.

Although, he says, death discussions with children, framed with honesty and simplicity, should not be forced but rather given only as the child needs or requests it.

'So when a death does occur, the proper preparation will eliminate psychological problems that can occur later in life."

Although not an easy profession, Wint admits, "I'm very lucky to be a funeral director. Both Diane and I are emotional people and some situations can be an extreme drain

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'Joy shared is joy increased, and by the same token grief shared is grief diminished." It is the motto in which Lew Wint strongly believes.

He says, "The funeral is the only event I know of in which no one is invited and yet everyone attends. The presence of others is the most important thing."

Continuing he said, it is a vehicle and opportunity to share grief which assists the survivors in reorienting themselves after the shock of a loved one's passing.

Wint was born and raised in Holly and Diane grew up in Pontiac. Says he, "We both knew a small town location was for us and we feel very lucky to be serving the Clarkston area.'

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