



Bright Benson

Benson, a loving lab-mix is one year old and in need of a permanent home. He is bright and would make an excellent family dog. He can be reached at 646-5099, or by going to the Michigan Humane Society Mini-shelter, 1329 S. Woodward, Birmingham.

CB volunteers can aid I-96 motorists

An experimental motorist aid system, the first of its kind in the nation, will be installed this spring on 140 miles of I-96 Freeway across lower Michigan. It is scheduled to go into operation over the Fourth of July holiday.

It has been dubbed "Project BEAR" (Broad Emergency Assistance Radio). The system involves cooperation of private citizen band (CB) radio operators and volunteer groups, the Department of State Police and the Department of State Highways and Transportation.

"Project BEAR" consists of 10 remotely controlled CB base stations at intervals of approximately 15 miles along I-96 between Grand Rapids and Detroit. Through the towers, mobile CB operators will be able to contact state police headquarters in East Lansing on CB Channel 9 to report freeway emergencies.

The control center, operated 24 hours a day, will in turn contact local state police posts or other service agencies to handle the emergencies.

THREE STATIONS will be installed at state police facilities in Lansing, Howell and Brighton.

Bids for erection of 60-foot towers for the remaining seven stations located at other state facilities along I-96, were taken April 19 in Lansing by the Department of State Highways and Transportation.

Beleaguered parents find assistance

Family and Youth Anonymous (FYA) is a free program set up to help parents of runaways and young law breakers meet together to deal with concerns about their children, share frustrations and fears, benefit from each other's experiences and find their own solutions to common problems. Sponsored by Boysville of Michigan, Family Service of Detroit and Wayne County, and the Catholic Social Services of both Oakland County and Macomb, the program offers a place for parents to get advice and help when children are deeply troubled,

have discipline problems or serious school difficulties, when they are in trouble with the law or run away from home.

FYA offers eight weekly meetings in small groups of eight to 12 parents led by a professional counselor, a family specialist from Family Service or Boysville. In the programs, participants discuss child management, parent-child relationships, parenting skills and other topics of interest. Parents support each other in times of difficulty, find new ideas and better ways to help their children, obtain needed

services and seek greater satisfactions for themselves and their families.

A "graduate" group of parents who have been through the weekly program meet monthly to provide each other with continued support and work for better community services for troubled youth and their parents. Young people can also enroll in their own programs, first participating in sessions with those of their own age and later in mixed groups with adults.

For further information, call Bill Hayes at 935-7500.

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Dystrophy association to get proceeds

The Muscular Dystrophy Association will be the financial beneficiary of a sandwich sale being conducted through Sunday by Hickory Farms of Ohio.

Hickory Farms stores at Northland Center in Southfield, Meadowbrook Village Mall in Rochester, Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi and Eastland Center in Harper Woods will celebrate old-fashioned Nickel Days.

Nickel sandwiches, with a limit of two per person, will be featured. They will be made of rye bread, beef stick, summer sausage, Swiss cheese and mustard. All proceeds will be donated to the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

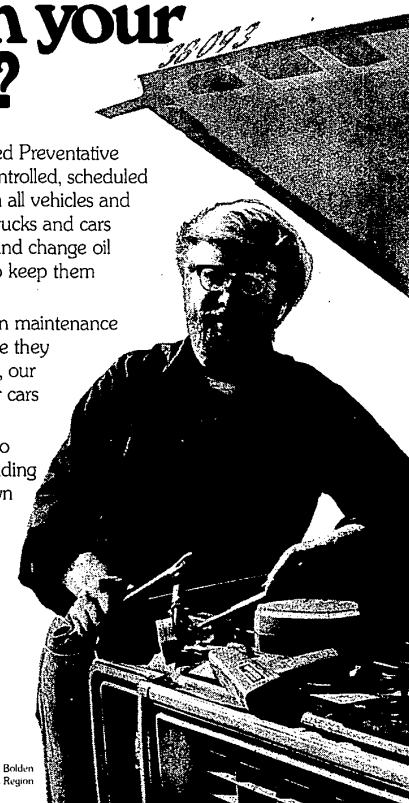
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