ST. ANDREW CATHOLIC CHURCH, 1400 Inglewood, Rochester, is sponsor-ing a Spring Treasure Hunt at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 13. The cost is \$5 and includes support after the hunt. To and includes supper after the hunt. To make reservations, call Pat Schoen-herr at 739-4361.

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ST. PAUL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 20 Romoe Road, Roches-ter, is inviting women to attend the Detroit East District United Methodist Women's Spiritual Life Retreat Friday and Saturday, May 12:13, at Lake Huron Methodist Camp. For reserva-tions at \$12 per person, call Barbara Lorby at 651-3694. The Rev. Archie Donigan will speak on "Christians Under Construction."

SALIST FELLOWSHIP, 230 Livernois. Troy, is having its annual May meeting and is asking the church congregation to attend. On the agenda for the May 12 meeting are electing five members and organizing church committees. EMERSON UNITARIAN UNIVER-SALIST FELLOWSHIP, 4230 Liver-

#### Club to host Vegas gala

Bhai Brith and Bnai. Brith Women Couplets 5016 are sponsoring a Las Vegas party 8:30-12:30 p.m. Saturday, May IS, at the Temple Israel. 17400 Manderson, in Detroit.
Tickets are 56 in advance and 57 at the door. Proceeds of the fund-raiser will help support Bnai Brith and Bnai Brith Women services and agencies. For more information call Fern or Ron Adelstein at 559-5488.

### Area couple elected

George and Elizabeth Martin were recently elected co-presidents of the Morns and Dads Club of St. Mary

Moms and Dads Club of St. Mary Preparatory, Orchard Lake. They will begin their term of office in the fall. Martin is purchasing agent for the F.J. O'Toole Co., an electrical contractor in St. Clair Stores. The Martins have two sons at St. Mary, a college preparatory boys' residence northwest of Detroit. Michael is a serior and Matthew a sophomore.

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Other husband-wife officers elected included: vice-president, Gerald and Iris Wastielewski of Southgate: corresponding secretary, Jules and Patricia Dhaenens of Howell; recording secretary, Michael and Loretta Menlity of Howell: treasurer, John and Elaine Kimille of Northville; segnant-at-arms, Leonard and Joen Kachibosky Othertoit; and publicly director, John and Marilynn Neumann of Farmington Hills.



#### Israel trade fair

Alex Blumenberg (left), co-chairman of the 1978 Israel Trade Fair aduries a Renaissance-style brass menorah, one of the many made-in-Israel products on sale, Sunday May 14 from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. in the Jewish Community Center of Metropolitan Detroit, 5600 W. Maple, West Bloomlield. At right is Sharon Gutman of the Detroit Zionist Federation.

## Clergy assist survivors at Providence Hospital

The death of a loved one is always a paintul experience, but no grief is as deep or as dewastating as that of parents who have lost a child.

To meet the unique needs of parents whose child has died, an interdenominational group was organized fast year through the efforts of Providence Hospital and area clergymen. "The purpose of the group is to offer support to parents by providing an opportunity to share their experiences with others who have been or are in smillar situation," explained Sister MacHault Rould for the Providence pasteral eare department and coordinator of the parents' program.

"Those who have participated in the group have found it to be most valuable in working through the grief processe."

The bereaved parents' group is open to persons of all faiths. Meetings are held at 8 p.m. on the second Wednesday of every month in the hospital's Fisher Center. 22500 Providence Drive. Southfield. For additional information, contact Sister Mary Ruth at 424-3209.

# Let's plan for better living

In a recent column I compared the vitality of the city of Toronto and its excellent transportation system with the sad decay, neglect and poor public transportation of Derivita and its surrounding communities. Articles in the Detroit newspapers and a letter from the Oakland County Road Commission in response to this column confirm the narrow view in which decisions are made on the basis of cost and efficiency rather than upon quality of life ciency rather than upon quality of life and renewal of the urban area.

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The argument of the Oakland County
Road Commission is that the Detroit
area is too spread out and people are
to committed to private automobile
transportation to justify the cost of
rapid rail transit. Philadelphia is similarly spread out but I am told that it
has developed an excellent public
transportation system.

COST PER MILE IS, however, not the relevant issue. The issue is quality of life and the impact of an excellent transportation system upon the quality of life in a metropolitan area.

Friends who live in Toronto tell me that property and homes near the sub-way lines have been renewed as people seek to live near fast and convenient transportation.

The quality of life has increased most markedly near the subway stations. The history of the American westward expansion demonstrates that the economic value of land and its development follows the railroads. So it is with good public transportation. Effective, convenient public transportation planned on a regional basis will encourage redevelopment and an upward swing in quality of life.

A MAJOR CRITICISM of the Detroit A major Chrift Shi of the Defroit Renaissance Center is that it attracts people but then isolates them from the rest of downtown Detroit. A major reason for this is that there is a lack of adequate and attractive public trans-portation moving people to and from this center.

People living in the metropolitan Detroit area and visitors alike cannot imagine how to get to the Renaissance Center without using a private car or taxi. In contrast, the ease, convenience, comfort and regularity of public transportation in Toronto makes it easy and appealing to travel about the city.



By REV. DAVID STRONG

The proposal to build a one way loop transit system in downtown Detroit is absurd. It is proposed simply in the interests of cost. It betrays convenience and any major commitment to the renewal of the area.

THIS COST BENEFIT type of think-

#### Class \ explores alcohol

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involvement.
This 10-week course meets Thursdays from 7-9.p.m. on the Marygrove campus. The Iee is \$45. For further information write the Marygrove College continuing education office, \$425 West McNichols, Detroit 48221 or call 862-8000, ext. 240.

ing also leads to shortsignteemess. Joy refusing to give people an appealing choice of good rapid transit now hasten the day when we reach a crisis in shortages of oil and the dollars to pay for this imported item.

As effective transportation is delayed the city decays and people despair at its renewal.

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The cost benefit approach to public transportation and the unwillingness to adopt a regional approach are very regressive forces in our society. Since there are powerful political and economic forces allied behind keeping; things the way they are the citizens: themselves will need to express their opinions concerning this issue and the primary value of our quality of life.

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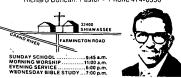
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