Manufacturer's Bank of Southfield has donated \$500 to the Southfield Repertory Theatre to help cover costs of the theatre's 1978-79 touring com-

The grant will pay for the opening of the company's production of "Golliw-hoppers!" at two special perform-ances at the Attic Theater in Detroit

"This generous gift is not only important on its own," said Ralph Valatka, the theater's producing director, but it also marks the first major grant made to the theatre by a Southfield corporation, which especially pleases us."

The theater arranges four touring productions which are then offered at cost to schools and other educational

The initial production of "Golliwhop-pers!" will be presented as one of the special performances of the Michigan Dongress of the Arts at the Attic Thea-per at 4 p.m. Friday and 2 p.m. Satur-day,

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Diabetes reaches epidemic level

Southfield representative Tina Ristich and Karen Racine of Dearborn Heighs recently attended the eighth annual conference of the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation in Washington.
Sen. Richard Schweiker, ranking minority member of the Senate Subcommittee on Health said in remarks to the conference that diabetes has become an epidemic in this country, and 300,000 Americans will die from the disease this year. Schweiker, who has been a leader in congressional efforts to expand research on diabetes, told the conference that he would press the federal government to intensity its commitments to fund research and educational training programs.

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JDF, a voluntary health organiza-tion with more than 100 chapters, drew an attendance of more than 200 for the meeting. Members visited their con-

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gressmen and senators during the conference to urge greater congressional support for diabetes research. Activities during the three-day conference included the review of medical research proposals, workshops, rapsessions and research seminars. Among those attending the meeting were stars Dan flown, himself ad abbetic, and Dina Merrill, whose son, David, was a diabetic.

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Honor students get recognition

Three Southfield residents were recently inducted to the Michigan State University Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, the nation's oldest honors organization.

Students must be in the top 10 per

cent of their class, have pursued a broadly-based course of study, includ-ing two years of a language and one year of mathematics. Achievers include Sari Finklestein, Daniel Hollander and Lee Monsein.

Legislation to increase property tax credits for senior citizens and handi-capped persons is pending before the state senate.

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The legislation would reduce taxes for eligible persons. It would exempt seniors with household incomes of

Senate to consider tax break for old \$10,000 or less from property taxes. Eligible persons with incomes of less

Eligible persons with incomes of less than \$10,000 could claim credit for up to \$1,200 of property taxes paid. For eligible persons paying rent, the credit would be based on 17 per cent of rental payments.





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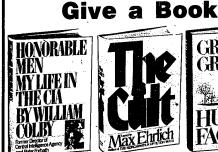
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