<u>Calendar keeps Kapp hopping</u>

PM star has a busy schedule

There's a wall-size calendar in the P.M. Magazine office with events planned through Jan. 27, 1980.

Firm commitments include a week at a Marine boot camp in San Diego, a behind-the-scenes trek through the Ford experimental plant in Dearborn and a series of "ins and outs" — the lead-ins and closings of each program.

Fleetwood Mac is tentative.

It takes 14 people and two camera crews an average of 28 hours to package an edition of P.M. Magazine for Channel 2, the friendly affiliate that brings us Walter Cronkite, Captain Kangaroo and . . . Lorrie Kapp.

MS. KAPP and Ron Clemmer are the in-house stars of P.M. Magazine. They each produce their own stories, select crews, screen tapes and edit their efforts down to a slim 6½ minutes for

Ms. Kapp moved to Farmington Hills from Columbus, Ohio, and has taken an apartment on South Valley Court.

"I spent two weeks in the Sheraton across the street (from Storer House on Nine Mile) and went for a drive Sunday. I like Farmington Hills because it's close to work, away from the hustle and bustle of the city and because of

entertaining and informative program of interest to everyone. She said it's been on the air for a year and a half, and is carried by 47 stations across the country.

"We're not a 60 minutes — we're not a talk show," Ms. Kapp said, "We never get into anything investigative.

"Everything is carefully thought out before we go ahead," Ms. Kapp said. Hineraries are drawn up and distribut-ed, travel arrangements booked and a good deal of care is taken to get the entire show on the road on time.

Apparently this type of planning has panned out for the P.M. staff. Of all the programs produced, Ms. Kapp said only two were not aired — one because of bad lighting and the other a personality profile by Ron Sanders that was unsatisfactory by station standards.

She added that according to the latest Nielson ratings, P.M. Magazine is number one in its 7 p.m. time slot.

ALL THIS IS rather impressive for a woman who almost chose another ca-reer over television.

"I almost went into the field as a concert planist," Ms. Kapp said. She studied plano for 17 years at two different universities, the Baldwin-Wallace Conservatory and the Cleveland

ACHAROVSKY.

Her interest in music and performing started in 1975, when she represented Ohio in the Miss America Pageant. As a contestant, she was given the opportunity to perform with a 45-piece orchestra in the Atlantic City Competition.

orenesses in the competition in the pageant, Ms. Kapp said she never regretted the opportunity, although she added that "Twe totally outgrown it, thank good-

whether that last statement is true is a question best left up to viewers of P.M.

P.M.S. Kapp's best interview, according to her, was with Jane Fonda prior to Ms. Fonda's current cross-country tour with husband Tom Hayden.

"I didn't know how I would find her, but she turned out to be very intelligent and articulate," Ms. Kapp said. She spent four weeks prior to the Fonda interview studying biographies of the star and "reading every press release we could get our hands on."



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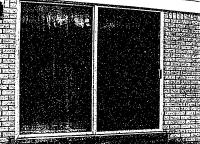
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