### Caring for her art

Botsford Hospital nurse Bonnie Hills, while caring for mothers and babies during working hours, tends to her leisure hours by creating

these pictures through needlecraft. Her works were displayed at the annual Botsford arts and craft show. (Staff photo by Randy Borst)

## Right turn bumped at intersection

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Right turns on red lights off Orchard Lake Road onto Maple Road east or west are now prohibited.

That new traffic control order irritated Trustee Weldon Yeager enough that he voted against it at last week's township board meeting.

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The ban on turns is to help relieve congested traffic at the intersection, Supervisor John Doherty said.

"Right turns on red lights are to save gas. You can't turn until traffic clears anyway," argued Yeager. He later called the ban "dumb to have it on 24 hours per day."

Debate over the (township's busiest intersection was brought up later by Law.

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"It's a crying shame that the widening of Orchard Lake Road is
going to stop at Maple. They (Oakland County Road Commission)
are not solving any problem for West Bloomfield," Law said.

MAPLE WILL be only two lanes from Maple north to West

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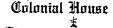
"They (the road commission) thought it more important to go south to Grand River. I met last week with the powers that be. They said our request has been favorablly received and will be studied," Doherty said.

Law wanted to ask road commission authorities to meet with the ownship board, but Doherty feared that might only irk them. "We need face-to-face confrontation," Yeager said.

Last October, John Grubba, the Oakland County Road Commission managing director, told the West Bloomfield Chamber of Commerce that revenues for construction projects are declining, forcing a shift to only road maintenance and repair. Recently, Road Commission Chairman Fred Houghten said locally ovted millages are the most promising way to assure road improvements.

Townships can control their own road expenditures through voted millage earmarked for roads. Bloomfield, Avon, Highland and Commerce townships have gone this route.

But Doherty said with the economy as it is and voter attitudes against tax hikes, he sees no chance of asking voters to approve a road millage.





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