Preview evening helps 3 charities

Three metropolitan Detroit charities will share proceeds from the 1982 Detroit Auto Show's Charity Preview Night.

The Boys and Girls Clubs of Metro Detroit, the Easter Seal Society for Wayne, Oakland, and Macomb counties, and the Assistance League for the Northeast Guidance Center will share the benefits from Charity Preview Night, to be held from 7-9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 15, at Cobo Hall.

About \$40,000 was raised last year, said C.M. (Bud) Shelton, Auto Show chairman. As in previous years, the black-tie event will be attended by leaders from the Detroit area's automotive, financial, business and political communities.

SPONSORS FOR this year's Charity Preview Night are W. Paul Tippett Jr., president of American Motors Corp.; Harold K. Sperlich, president of North American Automotive Operations for Chrysler Corp.; Donald E. Petersen, president of Ford Motor Co.; F. James McDonald, president of General Motors Corp.; James W. McLernon, president of Volkswagen of America; and Detroit Mayor Coleman A. Young.

The Boys and Girls Clubs of Metro Detroit help young people develop character through cultural, educational and athletic extra-curricular activities.

The Northeast Guidance Center is a comprehensive mental health center helping persons of all ages cope with emotional and mental problems. Founded in 1964; the Northeast Guidance Center serves the east side of Detroit, the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods.

THE EASTER Seal Society was founded 62 years ago and serves physically handicapped children and adults. Besides offering therapeutic services, the Easter Seal Society develops recreational programs and advocates legislation to improve housing, employment and transportation for handicapped persons.

"The charity preview offers an elegant, society-night soirce through the dazzling auto displays and will also provide some very tangible support to three deserving metro-area charitable groups," said Mrs. Bernard Fauber, preview night chairwoman for the Women's Association of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Metro Detroit.



A 1982 Ford Granada is refueled with propane at one of 5,000 propane outlets in the United States. LPG (liquefied petroleum gas) costs about 50 cents per gallon less than gasoline.

Ford's fuel is propane

Ford Motor Co. will begin production next month of propane-fueled passenger cars for the U.S. market.

Ford Granadas and Mercury Cougars will be the first cars to be available with propane tanks.

Although the first cars will be offered only to fleet customers, the option will become available to all customers this fall.

"The biggest advantage of propane is its price, which historically has been well below that of gasoline and diesel fuel," said Philip Benton of Ford.

PROPANE CONTAINS less energy per gallon than does gasoline, so mileage will be less. But even with lower mileage, the overall 'savings can be substantial to those who drive a lot, Benton said.

The propane cars have a 25-gallon fuel tank underneath the car. Cars have a range of 500 miles, a 30-percent increase over gasoline-powered Granadas and Cougars.

Propane-powered cars have better acceleration, said Stuart Frey of Ford.

"In addition, propane use eliminates the need for a fuel pump and almost all emission control devices," he said.



