

Bar to explain tax assessments

A seminar to help homeowners understand the property tax assessment process will take place from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 13, in the Oakland County Commissioners Auditorium, 1200 N. Telegraph, Pontiac.

The entire tax assessment process from levy to appeal will be reviewed by Robert O. Vandermark, chairman of the State Tax Commission, and Samuel J. McKim III, of Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone.

Admission is \$5 per person. For tickets, mail a check to the Oakland County Bar Association, 5th Floor, 1200 N. Telegraph, Pontiac 48053. Tickets may also be purchased at the door on a first-come, first-served basis.

The session will explain why homeowners are assessed, where tax assessments originate and what homeowners can do about assessments, among other topics.

The tax assessment seminar is the first of several sessions open to the public by the Oakland County Bar Association.

Assertiveness class Jan. 26

A free mini-workshop in assertiveness will be held Wednesday, Jan. 26 at Oakland Community College's Highland Lakes campus, Union Lake.

The mini-workshop will be held from 10 a.m. to noon and again from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Student Center Room 110. It will be conducted by Jim Rutkowski and Ruth Grass, counselors at the Highland Lakes campus.

For registration information, call the counseling office at 360-3059.

Renault Alliance boosts AMC sales 40 percent

The Renault Alliance, in the three months since its introduction, has enabled American Motors Corp. to increase sales by more than 40 percent.

The American-built Alliance has been "an outstanding success since its debut on Sept. 22," said Joseph E. Cappy, vice-president-marketing group, American Motors Corp. "We expect Alliance year-end sales will approach \$9,000."

American Motors sales for domestically-produced automobiles for the fourth quarter are projected at 38,000, a 42-percent increase from the 26,809 sales recorded in the fourth quarter of 1981.

"ALLIANCE HAS made a significant impact on the class three small market, which accounts for more sales than any other automotive segment," said Cappy. "The Alliance is already one of the 10 best sellers in the segment, with its November sales exceeding those of such notable competitors as Dodge Omni, Plymouth Horizon, Mazda GLC, Pontiac T-1000, the domestic VW Rabbit and Mercury Lynx."

"Our early research shows that nearly nine out of 10 Alliance buyers are trading in other than American Motors and Renault products," Cappy said.

Alliance touts the best fuel-economy numbers for any domestically built gas-powered vehicle in its class, according to the company. The standard Alliance equipped with the four-speed manual transmission and 1.4-liter fuel-injected engine has EPA estimated mileage of 37 mpg and 52 mpg highway.

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Area firm first to aid fund

The special state fund to attack hunger has received its first major contribution, a challenge and a new name.

League Insurance Co., of Southfield, sent a check for \$25,520 to the trust fund established last week by then-Gov. William G. Milliken.

"Our contribution amounts to about a dollar a week for each of our employees over the next year," said League Insurance President Robert E. Vanderbeck. "I hope other companies and individuals across Michigan might do something similar in the year ahead."

"THIS IS a great way to get the fund off the ground just ahead of the new year," said Jim Jordan, Milliken's executive assistant, adding that the special trust fund will now be called the Michigan Human Emergency Lift Program (HELP).

"The idea of a dollar a week per person is a meaningful, yet realistic challenge for Michigan's corporate and private citizens to help meet basic human needs during this economic depression."

Vanderbeck said League Insurance Co. will provide a check-off program for those employees who wish to "give their own dollar a week to HELP during 1983."

HE ADDED that the current \$26,520 corporate contribution is doubly important because the League Companies were sold this month by the Michigan Credit Union League to CUNA Mutual Insurance Group of Madison, Wis. The companies will continue to operate from their Southfield headquarters.

"This is a significant gesture by our new owners to the people of Michigan," said Vanderbeck. "And it is very much in keeping with the credit union tradition of helping people."

The HELP trust fund will obtain and distribute food to those who need it throughout Michigan. Contributions are tax-deductible. They may be sent to: Michigan League, Department of Treasury, PO Box 15128, Lansing 48922.

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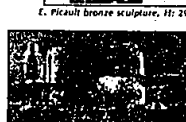
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