## Area resident talks about her flight from Haiti

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"It will be a year, at least, until an election will be possible and 10 years before the economy comes around. They have a tremendous task ahead of them, an almost Insurmountable task. The 'fat teen-ager has left the ecountry, but other problems remain.

Rubiner, a West Bloomfield High School graduate who earned a degree from from the University of Michigan in 1984, abruptly left a teacher's aide; bic in Port-au-Prince, Halt, just days before the departure of dictator Jean-Claude "Baby Doe" Duvaller.

She and her finnee. Andrew Bosworth of Washington, D.C., had both been employed since graduation by a private school serving children of America diplomats, corporation employees and wealthy Haitlans. Bosworth is a high school teacher.

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"Mrs. Duvaller," Rubiner said, 'is ru-mored to have taken large quantiles of currency from the country for her fre-quent shopping trips." When the Shell Oll Co. came to deliver gasoline, Ru-biner said there was no American mon-cy to pay for it, so none was delivered. There 'were gas shortages, and staples were not being delivered to the stores. Three students were shot and a school principal disappeared mysteri-ously while in police custody.

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There was an unfounded rumor that the national armory had been broken into and guns taken, and parents began taking their children home without explanation.

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United States."

"In a way, you have to feel sorry for Baby Doe," Rubiner said. He took over the government functions in 1971 at 19 years old and tried to make reforms at the insistence of the US, government. He was less brutal than his father, she said, and "tried not to be so corrupt, but got caught up in the momentum. He was a pupper.

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"You have to give him credit for leaving Halls. He did it for his own safety, but he may also have prevented civil war."

On the other hand, she said, "It's rumored he lett only \$1,004 in the treasury, while he has accounts in other countries of an estimated \$400-800 million."



RUBINER SAID the new regime under Li. Gen. Henri Namphy in its first two weeks of rule has done all the right Ihings — closed the airport, instituted a curfew, welcomed the exiles and espoused human rights, but she cautions, "so far it's only rhetoric."
Davalier proyed on the Haltians' belief in voodoo and related fears, Rubiner said. "It truly is an oplate of the masses," she said. Until that fear is overcome, nothing can be accomplished. Perhaps recognizing that, one of Namphy's lirst acts was to change the flag colors from the red and black voodoo colors to the red and black voodoo colors to the red and blue flow. voodoo colors to the red an blue flown before the Duvallers' reign.

### Novi couple hurt in freeway mishap

Two Livenia couples, a Novi couple and the owner-driver of a Livenia limousine service are recuperating at home from serious injuries received in a freeway accident early Saturday

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The car, driven by Ralph Pullen, 45, of Detroit crashed into the lime. Pullen

was pronounced dead on arrival at Sinai Hospital.

The limo, driven by Gary Barrera of Livonia, ben pout of control and was hit by two other vehicles, according to police. Barrera, 25, of Fafrway is president and an owner of Expert Limousher Transportation Service of Livonia. He was treated and released from Deuroit's Mount Carmel Mery Hospital for chest bruises and injuries to his left leg.

A SECOND car hitting the limo was driven by Diane Hibbard is niserious but stable condition at Mount Carmel Hospital.

Also hitting the limo was a truck driven by Gary Palmer, 39, of Farmington Hills. He suffered minor injuries and said she suffered damage to ber driven by Gary Palmer, 39, of Farmington Hills. He suffered minor injuries and will be suffered minor injuries and suffered damage to be recated for minor injuries at Mt. Carmel and released.

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After being hit by the truck, the limo Occupants of the lime were Andrew and Arlene Lendrum of Livonia, Mi-

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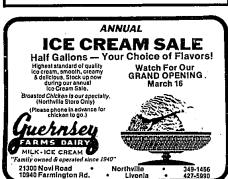
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