

STREET SCENE

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Sweet reminder

Remember wax lips and mustaches, candy lips sticks and pastel dot candies on strips of paper. They were the highlight of the penny candy counter in years gone by and are making a comeback at in area candy shops. See Page 6D.

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Fun, fun, fun is the message of this black tank-style suit with red-lip prints. At Roz and Sherm in West Bloomfield.

By Charlene Mitchell
special writer

If the thought of having to shop for a new swimsuit makes you just a wee bit uneasy, not to worry. This year's styles don't require you to squeeze your ample body into one of those itty-bitty suits that call attention to all the parts of you that you'd rather have covered.

OK, so most swim suits are more flattering on those with the discipline to starve themselves thin all winter. Yes, having to bare our thighs to everyone at the pool or on the beach does cause most of us to sweat a little bit. But what the heck, it's resort time and summer is one its way. Although shopping for the perfect swimsuit can be

tough, this season's fashions make its a lot more pleasant than ever.

BESIDES, NOW WE'VE got high-tech on our side. Now we can tell a computer what we want to show and what we want to hide and Presto! A computerized printout suggests certain styles. We still have the option, however, of picking colors and fabrics and the choices are better than ever.

Splashes of bright color, geometric patterns and animal prints are the hottest look in swimwear this season, with one-piece styles edging out skimpy two-piece bikinis.

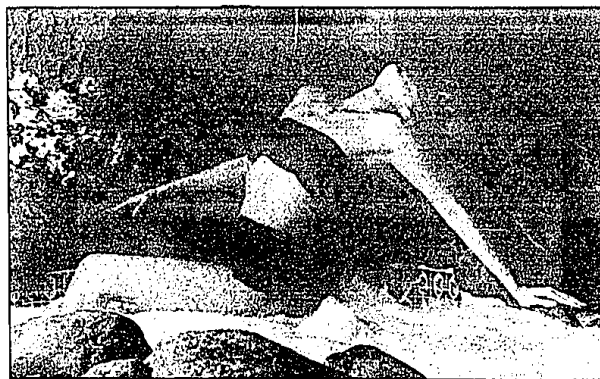
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BEACH! BEACH! BEACH!



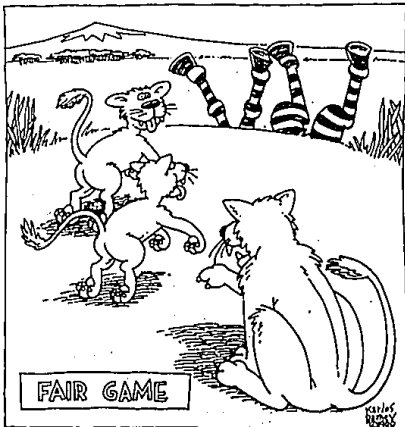
Two-piece creations (top photo) from Roz and Sherm and Beach Sound; metallic black and pewter washable snakeskin suit (left) from Beach Bound; and two-piece ruffled suit (right) in red and black from Roz and Sherm.

Photos by staff photographer
Jerry Zolynsky, taken at the
Bloomfield Township home of
Mr. and Mrs. Mel Farr. Back
drop by Denis Konkell.



R.U. Syrius

Karlos Barney



FAIR GAME

"Now children, make sure you split the haunches equally. Clarence, you too, Theodore, you choose..."

Quick trips cure those winter blahs

By Iris Sanderson Jones
special writer

I know, I know. You're tired of this stuff. Snow. Slush. Cold weather. Spring is out there somewhere, but how do you survive while you are waiting for the first crocus?

Your rich friends have gone to Cancun, Mexico, or to Florida and here you are waiting out the last weeks of winter with no relief in sight. Easter will be here in five weeks.

In the meantime, here are some ways to get away from the real world while waiting for spring:

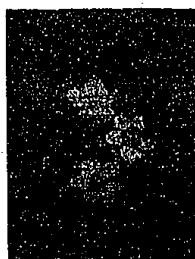
1. GO TO A DETROIT HOTEL for the weekend. You can go through the alphabet from A to Z and every single hotel on the list is dying for your weekend business. Check out the hotels that start with H — from the Hyatt to the Holiday Inn — they all seem to be offering a room for \$50. That's for the room, not per person.

Sleep in, use the pool, linger over cocktails, have a Sunday brunch. You'll feel better. Call the Metropolitan Detroit Convention and Visitors Bureau at 259-4333 for a list of hotels and local events.

2. PLUG INTO ANN ARBOR for a day. They have more events in that university town than they do in New York. Well, almost. Pick up a free copy of a newspaper tab called This Month in Ann Arbor and take your pick. You'll find out dozens of musical events from a night with guitarist Christopher Parkening to opera singers in the "Barber of Seville," museum fare, including the dinosaurs and allosaurus at the UM Exhibit Museum; and lots of places to eat and drink you way through March.

3. TAKE A CITY TOUR of Windsor. \$5 for adults, \$4 for kids under 12; that's Canadian money, about \$4 and \$3 U.S. from Transit

Windsor. Telephone (519) -944-4111.



MICKY JONES

Indoor views of flowers like marsh marigolds at the University of Michigan botanical gardens in Ann Arbor can brighten a drab winter day.

4. HAVE SUNDAY BRUNCH across the border for under \$5 U.S. a person. Two that I have tried are the Rendezvous and Moros, both on Riverside Drive opposite Grosse Pointes with views of the Detroit River. Call (519) 735-6021 and 944-3852 respectively.

5. DRIVE TO ST. CLAIR and either do a day trip up one side of the river and down the other, or stay overnight in either the St. Clair Inn or River Crab Motor Inn, owned by Chuck Muer. Great views of the river from restaurant in either place. Maybe the ice will be breaking up before your very eyes and you can cheer 'on spring!

6. HAVE LUNCH IN CLARE on a Sunday afternoon. A.J. Doherty will be there at the Doherty Hotel on the main street, carving the huge roast of beef on his marvelous buffet table. It is

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