



designing ways

**Eve
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If you are looking for glamour in your house, save it for your bathroom.

If you have looked at model homes or apartments, you probably noticed a good deal of concentration has been given to that area.

For me, nothing is drabber than a white-painted wall in the bathroom. Whatever the size, you can make a bathroom as bright as you like.

If you have a window in your bath and don't need privacy from that window, glass shelves with cache pots filled with African violets make for a charming look. Using wallpaper with matching or contrasting fabric as a shade for the windows is another look you may consider. The bath/shower should be treated as a window — tie backs and a valance to hide the shower pole.

You can be more daring in the powder room. Since this room tends to be small, mirroring should be your spacemaker. In the master bath, be as lavish as you like. In a bathroom that is used by youngsters, practically becomes priority. Vi-

nyl paper can be both practical and good looking.

A FAUX marble finish is an exciting look for the master bath or powder room. Because it takes a very special painter to accomplish the look, the cost may seem prohibitive. But, if you add the cost of wallpaper and the labor to install, you will be very close to the price of the faux marble.

Vertical blinds with matching paper is another option to consider for hiding the bath/shower.

If you aren't working with an interior designer, become a designer yourself. The wallpaper books are filled with options. Study them and see how creative you really can be.

I received a letter from a reader who is interested in my design course. It is given at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial beginning May 2, twice a week for 7 1/2 weeks, a total of 15 lessons. The course is limited to 24 students and each class has approximately that number. I am now on my third class.

For information, call the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 881-7511.

Designer wins more awards for jewelry

A two-piece hair ornament and diamond tuxedo studs designed by Link Wachler of David Wachler & Sons of Birmingham, Novi Town Center and Detroit are winners in this year's "Diamonds Today" competition, sponsored by Diamond Information Center of New York.

Wachler, a partner in the firm, was the only Michigan designer to win the award, which was announced in New York by Carol Channing, actress and one of diamond's best friends. The biannual competition drew more than 200 entries from designers across the United States.

Wachler's two awards mark the third and fourth time he has won. He has been recognized in the Diamond Information Center's Diamonds-International awards competition and in four International Pearl Design contests.

Wachler is a Troy resident. He studied design at the Center for Creative Studies of Detroit and maintains his studio in the Birmingham store.

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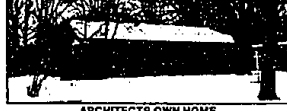
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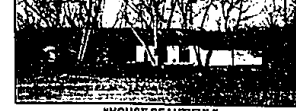
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