## Herb fanciers host symposium

The Southern Michigan unit of the Herb Society of America will sponsor a symposium, "Herbs from the Past to the Present," 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 8, at North Congregational Church of Southfield. Speakers will be Richard Miller, extension entomologist and professor emeritus, Ohio State University, Ellen Ellott Weatherbee, director of adult education, Matthel Bolancia, Watch Nursery, and this columniat. The topics are: "Herb Pests, Their Indentification and Management," emphasizing no-chemical controls, Miller, "Will Plants, Quality Foods and Effective Medicines," Weatherbee, "Landscaping with Native Wildflowers and Herbs," Silver, and "Decorating with Herbs," Marty Figley.

"Decorating with Herbs," Marty Figley. A limited number of basil and thyme plants will be available along with a large selection of books. I've looked through some of the books that will be available at the symposium and here are several



that caught my attention.

"THE GARDEN Design Book," Anthony Paul and Yvonen Rees [Hem House, 34,15], contains bundreds of photographs of gardens by contemporary designers. These ideas can be adapted to large or small spaces. The emphasis is on extending living areas into the garden. Designers such as Richard Haigh, Annie Wilkes, Gilles Clement, Wolfgang ochme and James van Sweden are among those whose concepts are pictured.

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Two books by Adelma G. Simmons (owner of Caprilands Herb Farm in Coventry, Conn.) will be available. In "Herbs Through the Seasons at Caprilands" (\$19.95 hardcover, Ro-

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dale Press) Simmons writes in first person of gardening, lore, crafts and gives specific herb recipes. There are ideas to celebrate the seasons—a spring May Day party, a midsummer party featuring mids, a Haltowen festival with tips for preserving and enjoying the bounty from the garden, and winter, the time to dream.

"Country Wreaths from Caprilands,"(419-95, hardcover, Rodale Press) gives suggestions for wreaths from bridal to Victorian, garlands and even recipes for pot pourri to be attached to the wreaths, slong with the whys, wheres and how-tos are descriptions of herbs and flowers used for these ereations.

"The Herb & Spice Cookbook. . . A Seasoning Celebration" by Sheryl & Mel London (\$21.95 hardcover, Rodale Press) includes innovative uses of herbs and spices. Some of the famous chefs interviewed share their recipes and give information about their restaurants and use of herbs.

Jimmy Schmidt of the Rattlesnake Club of Colorado is one of them. A mussiroom with iemon thyme concection, used as an hor docuver or saind, sounds tempting and the orange-ginger chicken, with a complete on vegetables will make your mouth water. Funds raised by the symposium support scholarships on a regional and national level and public gardens. The local unit provides plants, support and maintenance of the formal and kitchen herb gardens at the Crasbrook House, Bloomfield Hills.

For information on the symposium

## Michigan Chorale to sing in Europe

The Michignan Festival Chorale will make a European Concert Tour, July 6-23 with stops and concerts in Austria, Germany, Switzerland, Italy and Yugoslavia. Michigan Chorale is directed by John Dowaras, director of university one was the consensual contained University and music director at Kirk in the fills of Bloomfield Hills. Fred Riobrach, associate conductor of the Chorale, its music director of Birmingham Lutheran Church of the Redeemen and guidance courselor at West Bloomfield High Schot West Bloomfield High Schot West Bloomfield High Schot West Bloomfield West Hing are Frankfurt and Dinkelbush.

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Germany, Salzburg and Klagenfurt, Austria, Split, Zadar and Dubrovnik, Yugoslavia, Florence and Venlce, It-aly, Lugano and Lucerne, Switze-land and then Freiburg, Heidelberg

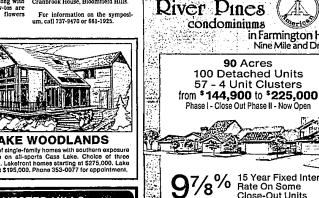
and and then Freiburg, Heleiberg and Rudescheim, Germany. The Chorale will give approxi-mately 10 concerts. The tour is spon-sored by Festivals Abroad and wel-comes people other than musicians who wish to make the trip.

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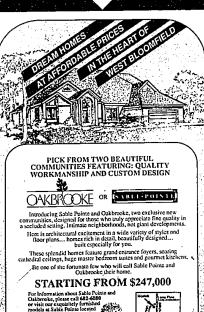
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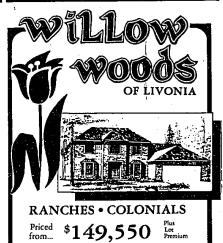
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