

# STREET SCENE

## In the name of sports

Indianapolis by any other name is "the 500," but the Indiana state capital has carved out a niche for itself in sports other than car racing. It's now pegging itself as a world-class sports city and the "amateur sports capital" of the U.S. See Page 6D.

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## and all for sale

By Carolyn DeMarco  
staff writer

Just suppose!  
Your folks in Florida are pining for Traverse City cherry preserves or Sanders hot fudge.  
Your kids in the Ivy League ask you to send a souvenir of the home state to further clutter up the dormitory.  
Your "show me" client in St. Louis wants a real look at the Cedar Springs red flannel long Johns or the famous Petoskey stone.  
Where do you go in search of those things? Maybe not as far as you think.

If you're in Birmingham try Michigania, located, since October downstairs at 205 Pierce, across from Puncti-nello's.  
The Birmingham location is one of three stores owned by David Hayhow, chairman of the board of Publiccom, Inc., a mid-Michigan public relations firm, and his wife Jan, former deputy director of the Michigan Travel Bureau.  
The store is devoted exclusively

to the sale of items guaranteed to be authentic Michigania - created and produced in Michigan by Michigani-ans.  
THE FIRST Michigania store opened early last year in Lansing with products from 75 producers, artists and craftsmen. A second boutique-size store opened in October in East Lansing's Holiday Inn University Place.  
Birmingham's Michigania is 1,200 square feet with an estimated 1,500 separate products from 200 producers. The inventory, according to store manager Gail Bahl, ranges from quarter postcards to \$769 Kalamazoo train sets.  
"We try to offer a wide variety of quality Michigan products," she said. "You'd be amazed at the quality we find."

*'It boils down to quality. We're very strict about quality. We're always looking for new products, but we're limited by time and resources.'*

— Gail Bahl

ries, blueberries and morel mushrooms. Today, he oversees production of award-winning preserves, catsups, jams and other gourmet items that are stirred in small batches with wooden paddles in copper kettles at American Spoon Foods' charming Petoskey kitchen and shop in Lake Street.

Other items include fudge and vinegars, state history travel and cookbooks, games, bird houses, decorative boxes, wooden vases, jewelry, candles, quilts and art prints. Many are featured in a Michigania catalog available at the store.

Some sample producers are:

- Red Flannel Factory in Cedar Springs, makers of red flannel underwear. Long Johns for men are \$42; items for kids, from \$14.
- Harmony Hollow Bell Works of Ann Arbor makes windchime bells "guaranteed for 350 years." Prices range from \$25-\$100.
- Aristoplay in Ann Arbor makes educational board games in the \$20-\$30 price range. "By Jove" is a classical adventure requiring some knowledge of mythology. There's also "Music Maestro" on music themes and "Made for Trade" on early American life.
- Frank and Mary Anne Elitawag-shik of Karlin create pottery through an Indian process using decaying granite. Prices range from \$5-\$60.
- Bill Stinson of Birmingham hand makes Birmingham sweatshirts for \$25.

Bahl is always willing to talk to Michiganians about stocking new products. Call first at 647-1444 to sound her out.

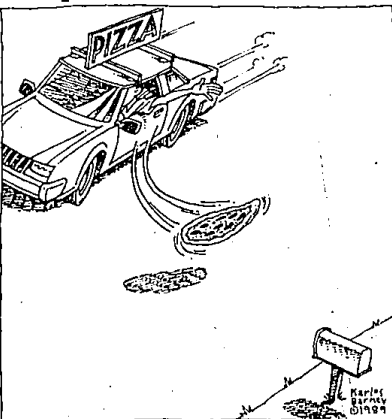


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Baskets filled with Michigan-made goodies, a Michigan-made bird house, and Michigan-made board games are just a few of the things Gail Bahl has in stock at Michigania in Birmingham.

## Warp Factor

Karlos Barney



The transition from delivering newspapers to pizzas has not been an easy one for Milton.

## Getting married Hawaiian style

By Debbie Sklar  
special writer

Hawaii.

A place far off in the Pacific where coconut palms sway above little grass shacks, beaches glisten with white, golden or black sand, and dark-eyed women, wrapped with flower necklaces, trail their hands in the smooth waters of a palm-fringed lagoon.

And every night, as the setting sun slips into a gold-brushed sea, the air is filled with the strumming of guitars and the aroma of roast suckling pig and taro. Silken evening breezes and sun-warmed sea; the casual extravagance of orchids tossed on your pillows at night.

Oh, what a place for a wedding! "Almost everyone has dreamed at one time or another of being married in paradise, amid tropical splendor, whispering surf and the soft winds that are Hawaii," said Larkene Waring, owner of the Damien Waring Estate in Honolulu, Hawaii.

Now that dream is coming true

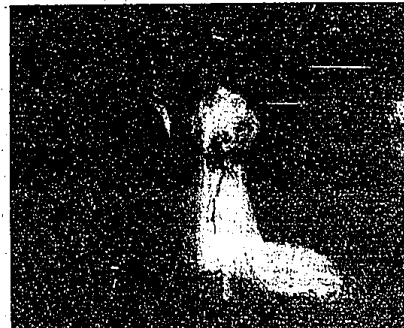
for an ever increasing number of couples each year. They're being married in Hawaii at Waring's \$2 million ocean-front estate.

Hawaii, already the number one honeymoon destination, is quickly becoming the "in" spot to get married, according to Waring.

"Hawaii is the most beautiful and exotic place anyone could ever imagine," said Debra Holmes of Livonia. "It was a logical place for our wedding after all the chaos and trouble we went through trying to plan it."

DEBRA, 36, AND her husband Randy, 35, were married on Nov. 29, 1988, at the Damien Waring Estate after a tough bout with wedding planning. They were engaged for six months before their marriage.

"I looked through dozens of travel brochures ranging from the Poconos to Las Vegas, nothing appealed to me," said Debra, an as-



Randy and Debra Holmes were the picture of contentment when they posed for their wedding portrait on the grounds of the Damien Waring Estate in Hawaii.

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