## Filmmakers, animators speak out at seminar



Vic Spicer, animator, talks about the medium of claymation at "Update 91."

It's often been said that metro De-troit is a major filmmaking center, and the recent "Update 91" proved it.

it Co-sponsored by Detroit Producers Association and Detroit Area Film and Television and Educational Association, Update brings together (Immarkers, students, teachers and film buffs of every sort for a daylong exposure to all aspects of film and video production of consecutive year at Oakland Community College's Orchard Ridge Campus in Farmington Hills, Update 91 hosted, 150-plus registrants who were treated to presentations by, among others, DPA president Shannon Hammed and her partner, Ron Senkowski, a 1981 North Farmington High School graduate.

Their company, Lighten Up Films, currently is completing its first feature film, "Let's Kill All the Lawyers," which is also the first move to be edited via a new electronic synchronic film electronic laws and the Campus Film Festival's second selection round, in New York.

THEIR PRESENTATION includ-ed clips from the work-in-progress, a description of the electronic editing system and considerable insight into the trials, tribulations and rewards of independent film production

Len Radjewski, president of the co-spinsoring DAFT organization, said, "Update is a fine, continuing tradition, which improves nach year It's a terrific opportunity for falm-makers and film afterianados to learn when young on in the film and video media.

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Other presentations were "The Art
of the Film" by Dearborn Iilm historian Jim Limbacher, who screened
videotappes from his television
course, "The Screening Room,"
which ran for many years on local
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Continuing Update 91's emphasis
on animation techniques, Gloria Josiph of Postique, a post-production
facility in Southfield, presented cips
and an update on her worken progress. "Boundaries." a visual poembased on feotage she shot in Poland
in October 1986.

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Jeff Bloomer, an independent
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Unimadeer and film instructor, at
Food Vocational Technical Center in
Westland, seriested and discussed to
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to perts be found near his Detroit studio.

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Local emematographer Lon Stratton of Miller-Stratton discussed how camera work makes a film look good

Update 91's day at Grehard Ridge concluded by a screening of Clio winners, award winning continer cals, and a presentation of Shades of Black Cinema, some of the more than 400 films produced by black filtimaters, and collected by De-troder Jains Wheeler who has ar-chated black film artists for some 25-

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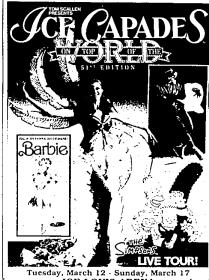
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