If you're having a new house built or are in the market for one, it's a good idea to know the structural terms. Here's a list from HomeMas-ter, a national home inspection com-

pany.

1. Ceiling joist: one of a series of parallel beams used to support ceil-

parailel beams used to support cell-ing loads.

2. Rafter: one of a series of struc-tural members designed to support

tural members designed to suppor-roof loads.

3. Flooring: the interior horizontal surface of the house, May be plywood if carpeting is used.

4. Fascia: a flat, horizontal mem-ber of cornice placed in a vertical

position.

5. Header: a framing member across the top of an opening to distribute the load.

6. Roof sheathing: flat boards that are nalled to the rafters to which is

7. Roof covering: the outer surface of the roof designed to withstand the

elements.

8. Window casing: the framing members containing and supporting

17. Floor joist: one of a series of framing members that rests on outer foundation walls and interior gird-

ers.

18. Sub-flooring: a wood or fibrous material that is nailed to the floor

9. Gutter: an open channel installed along the cave of a roof to take away rain water.

10. Door jamb: an upright surface that lines an opening for a door.

11. Siding: the exposed surface of exterior waits of frame buildings.

12. Wall sheathing: a sub-surface reaterial nailed to exterior studs to back the siding.

13. Parge coal: a coating of a foundation wall to retard the passage of water.

14. Drain tile: an underground drainage system used to carry off excess water at foundation footings.

15. Siab: concrete floor placed directly on earth or grave base and supported on the footings.

16. Chimney flashing: a shield used at junction of chimney and roof to prevent leaks. rests.

20. Main girder: the main support that ususally runs between foundation walls to carry the weight of a

21. Foundation: construction be-low or partly below grade that pro-vides support for the house.

22. Sill plate: one of a series of ho-

19. Footing: a concrete horizontal base on which the house foundation

rizontal framing members realing on top of the foundation wall.

23.Bracing: technique used stiffen the building. Its used has diminished with the advent of plywood sheath-

24. Soffit: the visible horizontal underside of the eave or overhang of

25. Stud: the vertical members of the house framing to which horizon-tal sheets are nailed.

26. Wall board: an interior wall surface of plasterboard or material other than plaster.

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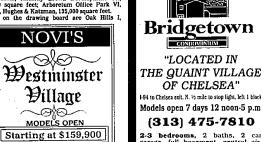
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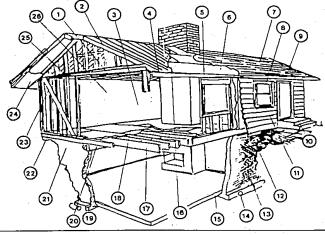
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