

Natural gas powers all appliances

THE LATEST in technology, economic advantages, energy conservation, comfort and convenience. That's what Consumers Power Co.'s Natural Gas Feature Home offers at Homearama Spring 1992.

A participant in previous Homearamas, Consumers Power's Metro Region is increasing that activity this year with the Natural Gas Feature Home, said Dick Kravick, Consumers Power Metro Region sales director.

James Rutkowski of James Joseph Enterprises, Inc., Rochester Hills, built the home, dubbed "The American."

"This home is truly unique in that every major appliance will be operated by natural gas. Everyone who attends this Homearama show will be able to see first-hand how versatile, convenient and economical it is to use natural gas and natural gas appliances."

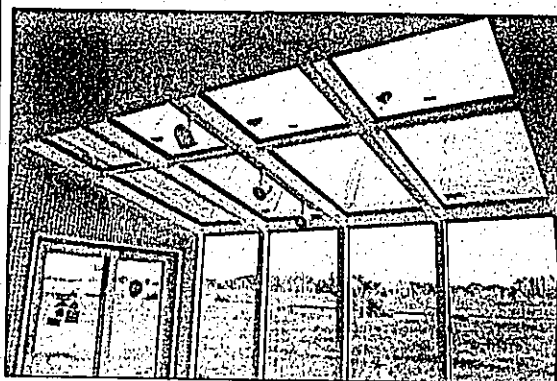
AMONG THE many natural gas appliances in the home are:

- A high-efficiency natural gas furnace.
- A natural-gas air conditioner.
- A high-efficiency, natural gas water heater for almost unlimited hot water on demand.
- Three fireplaces with natural gas logs for fires with no hassle or messy clean-up.
- A natural gas range/oven.
- A natural gas outdoor grill for foods with the great taste of outdoor cooking and no waiting for coals to heat or tanks to fill.
- Six outdoor natural gas yard lamps to cast a warm glow of light and safety.
- A natural gas vehicle refueling appliance display.

BECAUSE NATURAL-GAS air-conditioning is still relatively rare for residential cooling, vendors of this and other appliances will use the garage of the home to showcase and provide information about these units, Kravick said.

Consumers Power Co.'s Metro Region services more than 740,000 customers in Oakland, Macomb and parts of Wayne, Livingston and Washtenaw counties.

Solarium nook



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Kitchen talk: The kitchen in *The Porto Fino II* by Michael Mocer of Capitol Homes, Inc., of Mount Clemens, opens to a solarium nook by Four Seasons and features an island and a peninsula with a snack counter. The floor in the kitchen and nook is ceramic. The kitchen opens to a great room to create an integral living area in the 3,750-square-foot house.



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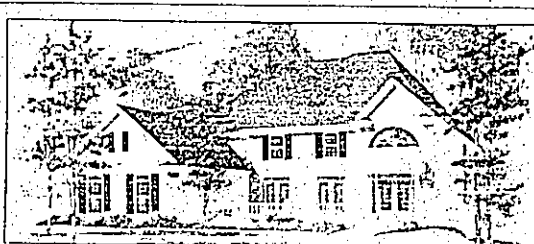


The Stratford



Builder: M.J.C. Construction, Mount Clemens; Michael Chirco; 263-1201
Architect: Bryce & Palazzola
Landscape: Great Oaks
Interior Design: Perlmutter-Frenkel Inc.
Square feet: 1,100 **Bedrooms:** 4 **Bathrooms:** 2 1/2
Price: \$324,900 to \$420,000

Features: Colonial with French Country flavor. Brick and limestone exterior. Three-car garage. First-floor rooms include 1 1/2 pillars and fluted columns. Circular staircase in foyer leads to bridge over the main family room and first staircase in kitchen for exercise use. Three full baths on second floor. Pond, room and second half bath on first floor. Vaulted ceiling, marble punched fireplace in family room. Master bedroom includes his and her's walk-in closets, whirlpool and oversized shower. Frosted maple cabinets in kitchen.



The Sussex



Builder: S.R. Jacobson Development Corp., Birmingham; Scott Jacobson; 642-0842
Architect: Bryce & Palazzola
Landscape: Great Oaks
Interior Design: Brian Kilham
Square feet: 3,700 **Bedrooms:** 4 **Bathrooms:** 3
Price: \$395,000

Features: Colonial-style Four Brothers new master bedroom. Brick exterior. Three-car garage. Walk-out second level. Living room, dining room and kitchen just off front. Kitchen is opened by walls of windows. Private bath in master bedroom. Open stairway leads to bedrooms. Rear stairs for alternate entrance.