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Protected with RESISTOVAR* II, a finish BUILT FOR LIFE. The highest quality in Solid Oak Dining is enhanced by the design of this spacious double pedestal table with four self-storing leaves which extends to 114 inches - ample seating for twelve

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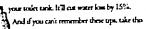
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Americans say buying home makes dollars and sense

There are as many reasons to buy a home as there are homeowners and ponome as there are inducement and in-tential owners. Many people cite the security, stability and enhanced quali-ty of life that owning a home provides, while others view a home as a good in-vestment. Some want the freedom to personalize their living environment, and others seek relief from periodic

rent increases.
"No matter what the individual reason for purchasing a home may be, most people agree that financial benefits are among the most compelling," said Janet L. Compo, president of the Builders Association of Southeastern Builders Association of Southeasters Michigan and chief executive officer of James D. Compo Inc. of Farmington Hills. "For most families in most mar-kets, a home is a sensible, stable in-vestment that increases in value at, or slightly above, the inflation rate, allowing the owners to build a nest egg for college costs, retirement or other needs."

In fact, the home accounts for almost In fact, the home accounts for almost 60 percent of the typical American homeowner's net wealth, according to the Joint Center for Housing Studies at Harvard University. In "The State of the Nation's Housing 1993," the Joint Center reported that the median net wealth for homeowners was \$78,403. Of that net wealth, just over \$46,000 consisted of home equity and slightly more than \$32,000 was in other

Consistent with that finding, 7.6 percent of the homeowners surveyed in a recent National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) poll said that a home is one of the best hedges against inflation. Almost as many (73 percent) said that a home's value as an invest-ment was one of the primary reasons that they decided to become a home-owner. Sixty-eight percent cited the deowner, day-right percent ched the de-sire to provide security, stability and a positive living environment for their families, while 52 percent wanted the freedom to renovate, improve and per-sonalize their living environment. Half also said that tax benefits, particularly the mortgage interest deduction, were important factors in the initial decision to become a home owner.

"A cornerstone of the nation's housing policy for decades, the mortgage in-terest deduction has helped millions of American families achieve homeownership since it first came into common use about 50 years ago," Compo added.

Basically, mortgage interest and property taxes are deductible from federal and state taxes, making homeownership more affordable and easier to achieve. In fact, 63 percent of those polled in the NAHB survey said that the mortgage interest deduction is very sentence them and 21 present and important to them and 21 percent said that it is somewhat important, giving it an overall rating of 4.3 on a scale of 1 to 5.

Schedule

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Frank's Demonstration Booth noon, 3 and 5 p.m. — Frank's will conduct seminars.

Community Theater in the Garden

noon - Cut flower arrangements 1 p.m. — Home Buyers Clinic spon-sored by Observer & Eccentric.

2 p.m. — Cut flower arrangments.
3 p.m. — Home Buyers Clinic spon-

sored by Temo Spas. 4 p.m. — Home Buyers Clinic spon-sored by Standard Federal.

Entertainment Stage in Detroit Hall

11:30 — Dance Palace. 12:30 — Henderson Dance Academy.

1:30 - Dancers Studio.

2 p.m. — Meet Frank's experts. 3:30 — Linda's Dance Works.

New houses cost more but offer contemporary features

Shopping for a home involves a lot of

Should you buy a traditional singlefamily home or a condominium-style townhouse or a condominium style townhouse or spartment? Do you want to live in the city or the suburbs? How many bathrooms and bedrooms do you need?

Another key question involves whether you should buy a new home or an existing one. New homes cost more

on average, but they have numerous advantages. Among these are:

Better designed kitchens with new

appliances.

More energy efficient heating and cooling systems, resulting in lower monthly energy bills.

Retter insulation More electrical outlets ■ Safety glass in safety-critical areas. Warranty protection on the house itself and the appliances and goods with-

in the house.
"Many features of today's new homes were either rare or unheard of a few decades ago," said Janet L. Compo, president of the Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan and chief executive officer of James D. Compo Inc. 18 Teachers 1811.

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"Tastes and needs of homeowners change over time," she added. "Successful builders study changes in consumer lifestyle and incorporate features into their new homes which ac-

commodate the changes."

Each year about six times as many existing homes are sold than new