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A lot of people are interested in looking at annual crime reports to see what improvements have been made in what categories of crimes. To make crime statistics useful, a common method of reporting crime has been devised so that the information can be shared by police agencies at different levels and across different geographic jurisdictions.

The standard used is called the Uniform Crime Reporting System. Our local police departments use this method as do the state police, county sheriffs, FBI, etc.

Local crime statistics aren't on the Internet yet; at least, not as far as I know. But there is a site where users can get county level crime statistics.

The Social Sciences Data Center at the University of Virginia announced earlier this month the availability of an interactive site for retrieving county level crimes and arrest data from the uniform crime reporting system.

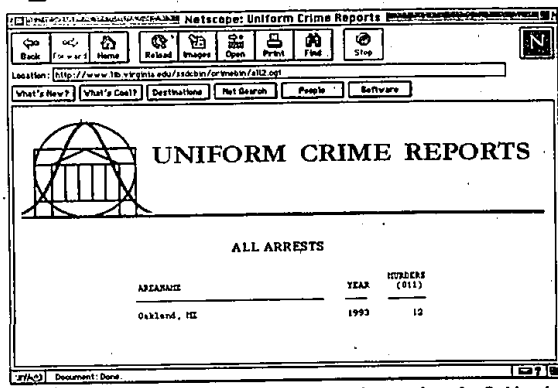
The data was obtained from the national archive of criminal justice data and can be accessed by pointing to <http://www.lib.virginia.edu/socsci/crime>. At this time, the system covers the years 1990-93.

In a recent edition of the Observer & Eccentric staff writer Barry Jensen wrote a very interesting column in the "At Home" section on Internet Television.

Based on what I've read in my computer magazines, Barry was pretty up-to-date but as we all know this is an area that will change pretty quickly in the months ahead.

Anyone interested in this general topic will want to point their browser to <http://users.via.net/~cwt/tv-intel.html> and bookmark it for future return visits. On this updated page is lots of information about TV Internet interfaces (WebTV, Internet Appliance, Network PC, etc.). There are 90 links to information on this topic.

The Internet TV devices are very nice for people who want E-mail and want to access Web sites but do not want to do so using a PC. It's a nice non-technical way of doing so. For sure, the prices will drop and the bells and whistles will grow in numbers. One thing to watch is next year's television models which may have this equipment built-in. That's purely a guess on my part but it would



UNIFORM CRIME REPORTS

ALL ARRESTS

LOCATION	YEAR	ARRESTS (011)
Oakland, MI	1993	12

Crime search: Crime statistics, like these murder numbers for Oakland County in 1993, are available at <http://www.lib.virginia.edu/socsci/crime>.

be an easy thing to do.

Web Jewels

- Dogpile is a multi-engine semi-parallel search interface that will search through several search engines until 10 matches are found. Boolean and proximity operators are allowed. The address is <http://www.dogpile.com/>

- Consumer World is a catalog of consumer resources on the Web - automobiles, mortgage rates, discount travel, consumer agencies for complaints, Better Business Bureau offices, consumer laws and regulations, low rate credit cards, product recalls, daily consumer news, shopping on the Internet, consumer rights, and a worldwide ATM locator. Point to <http://www.consumerworld.org/>

- Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary is now on-line at <http://www.m-w.com>
- PC World Online promotes itself as a one-stop computer and Internet news and information resource. Readers of the print edition are familiar with the magazine's buyer's guide for desktop PCs, notebooks, printers, modems, and other hardware and software.

- If you bookmark this site, you can return when you have technical problems and get computer and online tips. Also worth visiting is the site's "how to" section. The address is <http://www.pcworld.com>
- Donna Wair, librarian at Vanderbilt

University, passes on information about the Income Tax "Information on the Internet site, which is filled with information related to tax laws, tax forms, and other income tax-related information on the Internet. Wair suggests this should be on every accountant's bookmark list so it might be useful to us also. The address is <http://www.best.com/~timepax/html/taxsites.html>

- "Space Jam," which may be one of the better animated films out, is now being promoted online at <http://www.spacejam.com/>. Your visit will be best enjoyed using Netscape 2.x and QuickTime.

- Onliners can catch Michael Jordan and friend Bugs at SpaceJam.com and see the film's production notes, QuickTime trailers, downloadable soundclips, screensavers, and a weekly-refurbished collection of photos. The site provides a tour of how the animated characters were integrated with "real" footage.

- Readers Digest can be accessed at <http://www.readersdigest.com/>. In addition to articles which will change monthly you will find such popular features as Word Power and Laugh Lines, and information on how to submit your funny stories to win \$400.

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"My feeling was that Rick projected the very kind of person we would like to have as a general manager of Oakland Hills," said John Morad, one of 10 search committee members. "I felt he could promote a very good team concept among employees and felt members would be responsive to him."

The search committee submitted two contenders to the board of directors, where Morad also sits. Once the final decision was in, votes for Bayliss were unanimous. "It was his background in food and beverage, along with his age," said Morad, a Bloomfield Hills attorney who joined the club in 1983.

"We were looking for somebody that would be here for a long time. We felt it was important to have someone who was young and energetic."

"And we just came off a very successful United States Open," continued Morad, referring to United States Golf Association championship that drew a crowd of 200,000 to Oakland Hills last June.

"We wanted to provide a degree of good stability over the next several years."

From his office on the second floor of the sprawling plantation-style club house at 3951 W. Maple Road, Bayliss admitted to being in for the long haul, adding, "I have a strong love affair with the state of Michigan."

Bayliss came of age in a community of 2,500 residents and elevated through the ranks of the local country club while working his way through college as a caddy, bus boy, maitre'd and assistant manager. It was during his junior year at the University of Michigan that Bayliss made the decision to pursue club management as a career choice.

"It offered challenges and opportunities and rewards from a professional standpoint," said the Michigan native, who completed management courses through the Club Managers' Association of America. "This career has it all. It's multifaceted."

Armed with a bachelor's degree in marketing, the aspiring club manager left his home town country club upon graduation to seek new opportunities at the 860-member Country Club of North Carolina.

Three years later, he returned to his native state as general manager of the 700-member Travis Point Country Club in Ann Arbor. "I was very fortunate to be given that opportunity at

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Richard Bayliss, Jr.
New general manager

age 26," he said, of his second three-year stint. Since 1990, Bayliss has served at Kent Country Club, where he helped to restore a gracious facility through a \$3.2 million renovation project while renewing the cohesion among its staff and members.

Having served in every capacity of club management - from strategic planning to substantially increasing food and beverage revenues - Bayliss hopes to increase his scope of opportunity at Oakland Hills, the largest physical plant he's yet to serve.

"The specific challenges are to establish a great team that has clearly defined objectives that meet the expectations of the members," said Bayliss, who will make his home in West Bloomfield with his wife, Debra, and their three children.

A United States Golf Association rotation club, Oakland Hills will play host to the United States Amateur Championship in 2002.

"The private club boasts an 18-hole golf course on both sides of Maple Road - the South, dubbed 'the Monster,' being the more famous of the two."


The facility also has an active tennis and swim program, and tends to be a family stop for members in the summer months.

One of 910 individuals claiming membership to Oakland Hills, Morad attested to his own personal expectations, which revolve around an 81-year club history that has opened its doors to golf legends like Ben Hogan, Arnold Palmer and Jack Nicklaus.

"I have a great love for the game of golf," said Morad, who, like all Oakland Hills constituents, was recommended by five club members and approved by the board of directors.

"To walk and play on the same fairways and greens that all the golf greats have played on is a real thrill for me."

And I have that thrill every time I tee up. It also gives me the opportunity to be with really great people and to know that I have the opportunity to belong to what is defined as a world-class club."



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