



'Mini-model'

Mr. and Mrs. John Rashid of Farmington Hills learn about the smallest model in the Detroit Auto Show during the charity preview of the annual event that continues in Cobo Hall through Jan. 28. Former Miss Michigan Ms. Debby Holland (left) explains that although the accent is on small cars, this mini-model is a prize in the Dodge exhibit.

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Anne McKelvey, daughter of Mr. Charles McKelvey, 35412 Heritage Lane, Farmington, has been named coordinator of women's intramurals at Northern Michigan University in Marquette. She is a graduate of Michigan State University.

Bernadett awarded degree

Lisa Bernadett of 30122 Fiddler, Farmington Hills, was awarded a masters degree in fine arts from the University of Northern Colorado at recent commencement exercises.

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Back in the days when zipping and unzipping snowsuits seemed my worst winter worry, the man of our house and I used to consider February our month to suffer through.

Each year it seemed to be the time when, in our version of Murphy's Law, whatever was going to go wrong would go wrong in that month. I remember I used to muse sometimes about whether my own weariness of winter was magnifying the equipment breakdowns or whether the appliances and cars and household machinery might somehow have developed psyches of their own and were in individual ways expressing a souring on the season. Anyway, for a little while last weekend, I thought a January afternoon had somehow been transported into February.

I was hurrying through the last couple of loads of wash when it became evident that the clothes-dryer wasn't functioning.

My husband checked fuses and peered inside while I made a quick call to the laundromat to see if it would be open long enough for me to dry several basketful of clothes. Before we could finish one of the girls called down from the upstairs

shower to report the drain was plugged.

He transferred his base probing operations and I headed fast for the laundromat and threw in a side trip to the supermarket for some drain unplugging.

An hour later, when the wash was dried and the drain on its way to recovery, our youngest started hunting frantically for her jeans. I had, of course, left them in the big drum dryer at the laundromat.

The next day, driving to the office with a fellow-worker, I heard that the same weekend had brought a no-start car, another malfunctioning dryer, a flickering television and a cold hot-water heater to her happy home.

And then came the report of a reduction of power and brownout to prevent a blackout because of the utilities' frozen coal piles.

Maybe our appliances and homes and cars and those coal piles have something to tell us—that though it's January, it might as well be February and March or April or May would be much better.

I join them in a fervent "Hurry Spring!"

City maps future plans

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ue through 1978.

"City engineers estimate the cost of the sewer separation program to be approximately \$2.1 million. It is expected that the federal government, through its grants in a water pollution abatement program, will pay about \$1.6 million," Deadman said.

"The balance of the project, \$520,000 will be paid through the sale of water and sewer fund bonds," he said.

Another sewer improvement project calls for the TV inspection for flaws of the older parts of the system. "It's not that the sewers are bad," Deadman explained. "But they are old. And, in some parts of the city, with a lot of ground movement, there is some infiltration of ground water into the pipes."

The ground water adds to the amount flowing to Detroit or Oakland County for processing.

The project is estimated to cost \$250,000 through 1982.

Sidewalk ramps for the handicapped and senior citizen housing are making return appearances on the commission's wish list.

The ramps will be constructed for the handicapped at all major intersections. The program will be funded by the Federal Community Development funds and the city's general fund.

THE RAMPS ARE EXPECTED TO COST \$20,000.

The city has been interested in a senior citizens' residence for some time, according to Deadman.

"Construction of the project is to be a joint effort between the city of Farmington, private developers and the Michigan Housing Authority," said Deadman.

The city is still looking for a private developer who is interested in the project.

The residence should contain about 250 units for the city's elderly who wish to remain in the community but who are unable or unwilling to maintain a home.

The residence will contain recreational and social facilities.

Farmington and Farmington Hills residents could be practicing their backstrokes in an Olympic-sized pool if the planning commission has its way.

The two cities would cooperate on the project, according to the present plan.

The pool could be funded with building authority bonds amounting to \$900,000.

Another recreation site, the Shawassee Park, could get additional picnic tables, grills and play equipment.

"AN ABANDONED PUMPING station, near Shawassee would be removed to make way for larger parking facilities.

The \$37,500 bill for the face-lift would be paid through taxes and \$20,000 in community development grants.

Goble enters Phi Eta Sigma

Craig Goble, of 3060 Fiddlers Green, Farmington, was initiated into Phi Eta Sigma, freshman honor society at Western Michigan University.

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by earning a grade point average of 3.5 or better out of a possible 4.0 while carrying more than 12 hours of classes during his first or second semester at WMU.



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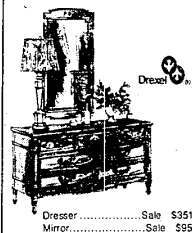
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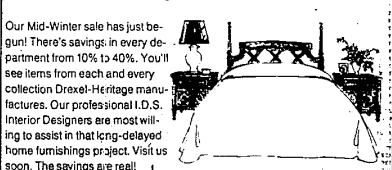
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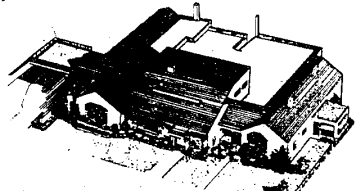
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