New group for canary owners

Area breeders and trainers of American Singer canaries will meet at 2 pm. Sunday, Sept. 13, to char-ter a local chapter of American Singer Canaries National. The gathering will be held in the home of Judy Snider, 31650 Curtis, Livonia. Breeders and trainers of the birds, the only breed of canary

to evolve in this country, are expected to come from all over the metropolitan area. Those interested may call Ms. Smider, 478-3207.

The new chapter plans to hold demonstrations of song training and discussions of line breeding, rearing of baby canaries and the starting of new strains.



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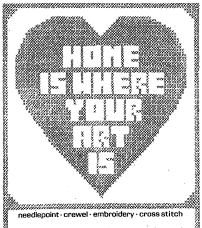
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Fort-hopping in Michigan

Historical booty in bountiful barracks

Travelers can turn back the hands of time and explore Michigan's history by visiting one of the state's many forts and villages, suggests the Automobilic Club of Michigane, suggests the Automobilic Club of Michigane, Fort-hopping will take travelers from Detroit west to Niles and north to Mackinaw City and Cop-

west to Niles and north to matchinar way mapper Harbor.

At Detroit's Fort Wayne, completed in 1851, visitors can see the original stone barracks and powder magazine while touring exhibits depicting the city's military history. The old fort served as an important troop-training center during the Civil War, remained a key garrison in the Spanish-American War and World I and was a supply depot in World War II

'ar 11. Niles' Fort St. Joseph Museum, while not a fort, contains artifacts of a one-time military post built in 1691 and held at various times by French, British

and Spanish troops.
A trip to the Straits of Mackinac brings travelers to Mackinaw City's Fort Michilimackinac, where the 1763 capture of the British fort by the Indians is re-enacted every Memorial Day weekend.

At the northernmost tip of Michigan's Upper Peninsula, Port Wiklins Slate Park near Copper Harbor has the last original wood fort east of the Mississipp! River. The stockade's whitewashed buildings, built in 1844, are filled with furniture, tools, elothing and other relies of the past. Visitors to one of Michigan's 11 villages can shop in old-time country stores, bur elegant homes, explore gloss towns or rice on steam locomotives. World famous Greenfield Village in Dearborn of fers rices in horse-drawn carriages, Model T cars, a additiewheel boat and steam locomotive. Nineteenth century building in this collection of Americana include the home where Noah Webster completed his first dictionary and the birthplace of auto pioneer Henry Ford.

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At Crossroads Village near Flint, the steam-powered Huckleberry Railroad takes passengers through a typical community of the 1860s and 1870s that includes a grist mill, one-room schoolhouse and depot.

Squires Street Square, a collection of restored shops along the Rogue River in Rockford, offers

The elegant homes of two 19th century lumber barons can be toured at Muskegon's Heritage Village. Another one-time community of lumber barons, Huron City in the Thumb, was destroyed by fire in 1881 and rebuilt. Its Restored Lumber Town sts a museum, 19th century general store and Coast Guard station.

Charlton Park Village and Museum near Hastings has 10 buildings from the 1800s, including a stagecoach inn, blacksmith shop and bank. Mill Race Historial Village at Northville features a oncom schoolhouse, bandstand, blacksmith shop, general store, rustic bridge which spans the milltace and a cottage where visitors can purchase work by the Northville Weavers' Guild.

Mason County's first courthouse is included in White Pine Village, which sits atop a Lake Michigan bluff near Ludington. Other buildings include a post office, town hall and school.

