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The "Directory of Historical Societies and Agencies in Michigan" is now available. Published by the Historical Society of Michigan, it contains information on more than 375 organizations, lists historical societies and agencies throughout the state. Each entry gives the address, phone number, contact person, membership information and pertinent information about the organization.

"We hope this directory will prove

beneficial in many ways, most especially as an inspiration to those who are involved in the work of local history," said Thomas L. Jones, executive director of the statewide organization.

The directory is \$2.95 plus \$2 postage and handling. It is being offered free to anyone who joins the society.

For information about the director,

other society publications and membership information, contact the society's office, 2117 Washtenaw Ave., Ann Arbor 48104 or phone (313) 769-1828.

Moving from traditional to modern

Sometimes it takes courage to make an abrupt change from one lifestyle to another, to replace all the familiar things around you with the new.

Joanne and Arthur Schurgin, whose living room is pictured on the front cover, did just that, and two years later, report they have no regrets. Oh, sure they brought a few choice things like their piano with them, but most are recently acquired.

As owners of the Horn of Plenty in Birmingham, both often work long hours. When they decided to sell a for-

mer home and switch from traditional to contemporary, they called on interior designer, Barbara Wauldron, A.S.I.D. of Gormans, Southfield.

Joanne Schurgin wanted a sleek, modern look that would be easy to care for and still be elegant for the kind of entertaining they both like to do. But, they told Wauldron, things couldn't be too delicate, college age sons would be in and out, sometimes staying for the summer and during holidays in the dormitory room on the lower level.

Mrs. Schurgin said she can dust and

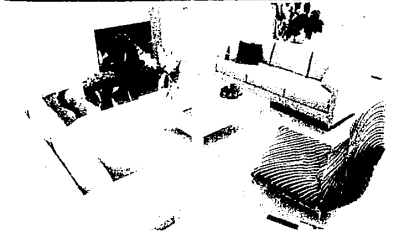
run a vacuum and the condominium looks clean and neat. "The whole place was designed with that in mind," she added.

Wauldron pleased the Schurgins by choosing all natural materials for their new home from the mohair casement drapes to the wool, flannel upholstery on the couches, the suede covered toss pillows and the one made by Robert L. Kidd, Birmingham weaver to match

the colors in the covering of the Italian contemporary chair by Saporiti.

Accessories were kept to a minimum, not only for easy upkeep, but because the owners like to decorate with fresh flowers and plants in season, from daffodils and pots in tulips in the spring to mums and glads in early fall.

The painting on the far wall is by a young Detroit artist, Scott Beaton.



THE COVER:

The Bloomfield Township condominium belonging to Arthur and Joanne Schurgin was done by Barbara Wauldron, an interior designer with Gormans of Southfield. Her clients, who own the Horn of Plenty in Birmingham, moved from a large traditional home to a condo. They wanted contemporary, easy-to-care-for furnishings to suit a busy lifestyle. Both work, they have college age children and like to entertain.

All of the fabrics are natural, from the mohair casement drapes to the couches covered in wool flannel. The atmosphere can be changed with the seasons by the use of accessories and flowers, from bouquets of daffodils and pots of tulips in the spring to mums and glads for early fall.

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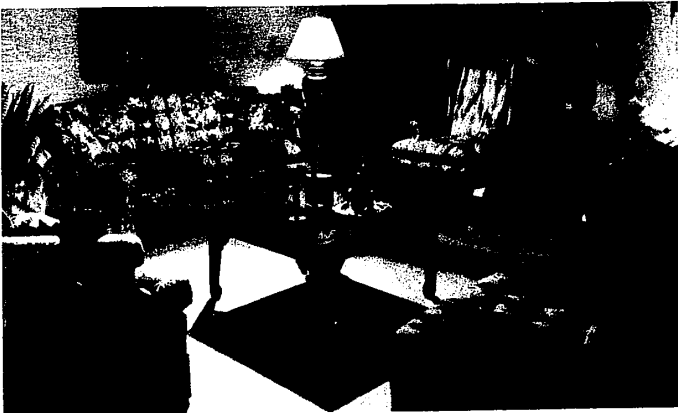


Young approach to old things

Newlyweds Janet and Brian Elliott of Plymouth chose folk and country style for their first apartment. It's in a commercial building that dates from the late 18th century. Janet's mother, Garey Beglinger, who has a design studio on the first floor, helped the couple plan their pleasant, colorful mixture of antique, contemporary and country pieces. By not being purists and staying exclusively with one period or style, they represent the way of the future—a combination of quality and fun things that happens to please the owners.

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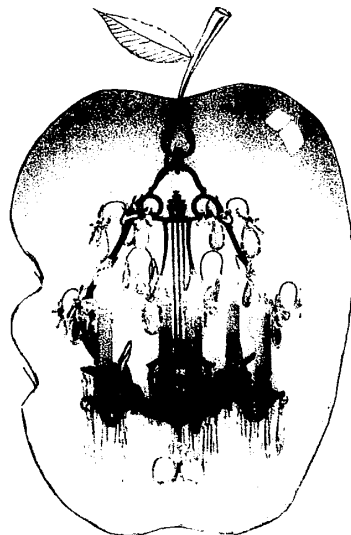
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