



Big weekend for miniatures

The Wee Bees' Miniature show will run Friday, Saturday and Sunday at Miniature Makers' Workshop, 11725 W. 14 Mile, Royal Oak. Artists Judie Williamson, Iris Longo and Lorraine Voss will be demonstrating. The show, with more than 100 exhibits, will benefit three charities. Meanwhile, on Saturday, there will be a miniature show and sale at Southfield Civic Center, 25000 Evergreen Road, Southfield, with more than 60 artisans and dealers. Jean Clark of Birmingham is chairwoman of the Wee Bees benefit event.

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Novelist will speak to writers

The 23rd Annual Writer's Conference at Oakland University, featuring award-winning mystery writer, Elmore "Dutch" Leonard as keynote speaker is scheduled for Oct. 26-27.

Open to the public, it provides a two-day opportunity for aspiring, novice,

and experienced writers to learn more about the art of writing.

In addition to Leonard, nationally known children's book author Nancy Willard, Detroit poet laureate Dudley Randall and author Charles Baxter, will share their ideas on writing.

Among guests slated to head workshops or lab sessions are New York agents Philipa Brophy from Sterling Lord Agency and Diane Cleaver, who heads her own literary agency; popular author Gay Courter of Florida; Zondervan editor Cheryl Forbes; religious writing; novelist Robert C. Wilson, author of the bestseller "Icefire"; and romance writer Julia Grice, who will be the Friday evening speaker.

WJR Radio's Hal Youngblood, also known for his creative work in theater, will head a workshop on playwriting. Iris Sanderson Jones and Mickey Jones will cover writing travel stories including photography required and Margo LaGattuta will lead a workshop on enhancing creativity using the "right brain" technique, a concept successfully being used by today's authors.

Conference sessions on Oct. 26 will provide an arena for writers who wish to have their work critiqued by profes-

sionals in a depth lab sessions. Manuscripts already submitted, will be discussed during 12 concurrent sessions. The sessions include: general fiction, beginning fiction, children's fiction, young adult fiction, articles, reviews and essays, poetry, religion and a general category.

Sessions scheduled for 9 a.m. Oct. 27 will start with 830 a.m. registration. Leonard will speak after a noon luncheon. He is the recent recipient of the prestigious Mystery Writer of America award.

In his talk, "The Writer's Voice," Leonard will emphasize the importance of developing one's own style and discuss dealing with publishers, agents and those in the film industry.

The conference will host a book sale featuring books authored by conference participants.

For registration information, call the Division of Continuing Education at Oakland University, (313) 377-3120.



Author visits book store

David Schoenbrun, author of the new book, "America Inside Out: at Home and Abroad from Roosevelt to Reagan," will be at Birmingham Bookstore 11 a.m. to noon Wednesday to autograph his book. An acclaimed broadcast journalist, Schoenbrun also wrote "As France Goes," "Soldiers of the Night" and "Triumph in Paris." The book store is at 263 Pierce, Birmingham.

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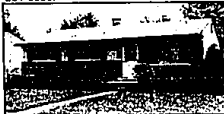
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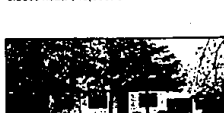
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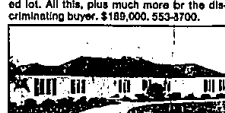
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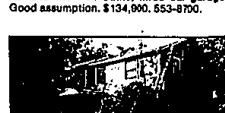
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