

Miniature exhibit shows unusual skills

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Stiefel sent a beautifully accessorized antique bentwood cradle and a completely outfitted 18th century weaver's studio, with an authentic copy of floor loom at Greenfield Village. The weaver is shown working in his studio and along the wall are many of his completed coverlets. This is a remarkable scene.

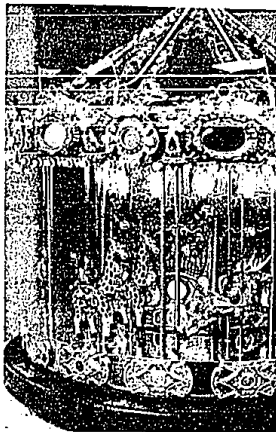
In another display of miniature textiles are several petpoint rugs and a flame stitched upholstered wing chair by Sister Pauline Boyd of Saginaw, 1,600 stitches to the inch.

Marjorie Adams of Washington Courthouse, Ohio specializes in miniature paintings. Whether the collector wants Gainsborough's Blue Boy or 18th century Chinese woodblock prints by Hiroshige or Harunobu, Adams can deliver. She also did miniature wedding portraits of Goad's

daughter and two sons and their spouses on commission.

Still, it's hard to top the workmanship and creativity of Judy Shellhaas of Plymouth. Even these professionals gasped as they unpacked Shellhaas's carousel animals and Mark Twain (labeled Lincoln bed in the exhibit) just prior to opening day. The bed is so named because when Twain used it in Italy, he reportedly slept with his head at the foot of the bed, so he could look at the beautiful headboard. Shellhaas also made the miniatures of the oriental furniture, "The Adams' Collection" which Goad's grandparents brought from the Orient.

"Masterpieces in Miniature," done in cooperation with Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association, is open, free of charge, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday, 1516 S. Crambrook, Birmingham.



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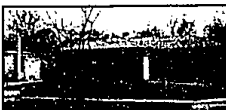
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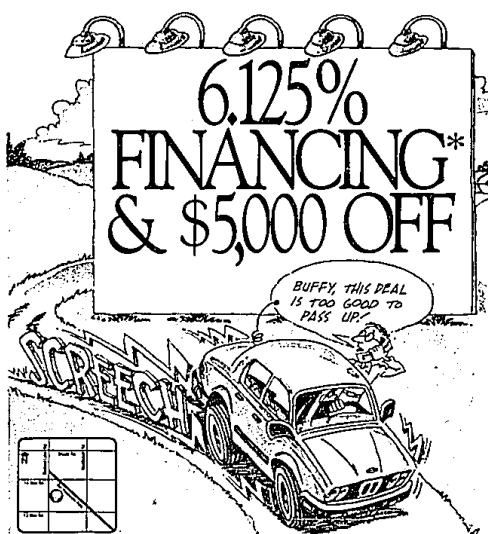


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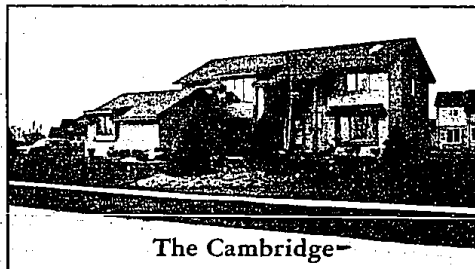
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