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ubstances by matching the com-nercial household product with the afer alternative:

quiz.

When alternatives are not available, buy only enough of the products for the job at hand. Give leftovers to

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### Hazardous waste challenge

A. moth balls

nd toilet bowl

C. upholstery

D. furniture polish

E. ant control F. tinoleum

G. roach spray

H. window/

8. Three parts olive oil and 1 part vinegar.

Each American household produc-es more than one pound of hazardous waite each year. Ilhardous waste is any waste that is toxic, corrosive, flammable or can explode or react when mixed with another substance. Many household products, such as motor oil, household cleaners, pesti-cides, lawa and garden products and hobby supplies, fall into one or mure of these categories. While the amount of chemicals from household products may seem insignificant when compared to Industrial amounts, the total from millions of households results in a significant problem.

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You can make a difference. The most effective solution to our household hazardous waste problem is to use more environmentally sound alternatives as shown in the matching

2. 1 tablespoon vinegar In 1 quart of water.

3. A dish of equal parts baking soda or borax

4. 1 cup white vinegar and 2 gallons of water

5. Cedar chips and newspapers. 6. A cloth moistened with club soda.

7. Red chill pepper, paprika and/or dried peppermint.

raise \$10 million for the Livonia-based college.

An estimated \$2.4 million in pledges bave already been raised, college officials announced. Illitch, a Bloomfield Hills resident, is chalrman of Little Caesar Enter-prises Inc., Farmington Hills. Prechter is chalrman of ASC Inc., Trenton.

ECO-TIP: Cooperative Extension Service has a new Hazardous Waste hot line to get information about the closest disposal site, disposal tech-rique and collection schedules. For the 313 area code, the toll-free hot line number is 1-800-468-9612 and ask for David Schmidt.

## Wings chief 1. A paste of baking soda and water.

# co-chairs fund drive

Detroit Red Wings owner Mike Il-itch and downriver businessman Heinz Prechter were recently named o-chairmen of Madonna Coltege's "Campaign for Academic Excel-

lence."

The five-year fund drive seeks to raise \$10 million for the Livonia-

family, friends or nelghbors. Recycle products, such as used motor oil. Most household garbage, both hazardous and non-hazardous, ends up in local dumps or landfills. This gorbage may take many years to decompose or head down. This decomposed waste may eventually leak into underlying soil and groundwater, contaminating them.

Prechter is chairman of ASC Inc., Trenton.

DEAN RICHIARDSON, chairman of Manufacturers National Corp., Detroit, is honorary chairman. The event will formally begin with a breakfast for business and community leaders Wednesday, Oct. 19 at the Hotel St. Regis, Detroit. Madonna is a four-year, co-educational liberal arts college. More than 4,000 students are enrolled in Madonna's 50 academic programs. Forty percent of the money raised through the campaign will be earmarked for students schelarships and grants, college officials said, An additional 30 percent will be used to finance academic professor chairs, develop faculty and promote international studies and honors programs.

Twenty percent will be set aside for programs for the disabled, high school outreach programs and col-lege sign language programs.

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