

Past LTU projects hit home

For over a decade, students at LTU's College of Architecture and Design have taken on a "real world" application of the skills they learned in class. Although this year's project is the Sowa Islands in Uganda, many of their previous projects can be spotted closer to home:

- Urban design students drew up plans for a strip of McNichols Road between Livernois and Wyoming in Detroit last year. Among their suggestions, which will be implemented in the near future: new parking facilities, mini-parks on abandoned lots and new apartment structures.

- A park in Southfield may be

converted into an art enclave if the city of Southfield Art Council implements a plan drafted by students two years ago. The students suggested renaming the park "Sundancers," after the Native Americans who used to conduct tribal dances on the site, and included an art museum, auditorium and artists' colony on their blueprints.

- The current renovations at Northland Mall, including new entries to the Town Center and lunchers, will be implemented in the near future. Northland, "were influenced by a proposal submitted by LTU students to the city of Southfield and Southfield's Downtown Development Authority in 1989. The stu-

dents' mission was to 'create a "downtown ambience" in Northland.

- The area surrounding the Lighthouse, a social service organization in Pontiac, was redesigned by LTU students in 1988. Many of the students' suggestions, including a homeless shelter and plans to improve housing, streets and retail areas, are now being developed by the Lighthouse and the City of Pontiac Planning Department.

- The class of 1987 worked to revitalize Keego Harbor's downtown area by improving access to retail outlets and overhauling the town's physical appearance.

Local woman to be UAW VP

By WAYNE PEAL
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Carolyn Forrest remembers her first job as a union officer back in the early 1960s and how she faced a six-month probation because — horrors! — she was a woman.

"I think women today would blow up the union local over that," the Westland resident said with a laugh. "There's been a lot of changes."

The 35-year UAW member faces some changes of her own, becoming one of the giant labor union's four vice-presidents.

Confirmation is expected at this month's union convention in San Diego.

The convention has proved controversial. Some UAW members are staying in non-union hotels. But Forrest defends the union's decision.

"It'd be the first one screaming if we didn't make the effort," she said. "But we did have to find hotels that were compatible, that could hold the delegates."

Forrest's skill as a negotiator — and her commitment to civil rights — were praised by no less an expert than former UAW president Doug LaForte.

"One of her strengths is that she's not afraid to speak out and

not afraid to take an unpopular stand," Fraser said. "Those aren't just good things to have as a union vice president, they're good things to have as a person."

Forrest served as Fraser's administrative assistant from 1977-83. She subsequently served current president Owen Bieber in the same capacity.

Though her specific duties as vice president aren't yet assigned, Forrest expects to be placed in charge of the UAW's aerospace wing. As such, she will oversee union activities at a variety of plants from southern California to eastern Pennsylvania.

A vice presidency is reserved for a female UAW member by union policy.

But while women are rapidly becoming a work force majority, they make up less than 15 percent of UAW membership.

That, too, will change, Forrest said. Nationwide organizing efforts directed at government workers and other white-collar types are expected to increase the number of female UAW members.

"The change Forrest would most like to see — greater union power — is less certain."

"We're living through a period of

hostility to unions," Forrest said and, in this year of presidential politics, blame starts right at the top.

"George Bush has done nothing for working people in general, let alone union members," she said.

Not surprisingly, a Bill Clinton campaign button holds a place of honor on her office shelf — resting among photos of her three children and beloved granddaughter and in the shadow of a bust of JFK.

"I think support for him (Clinton) is growing," she said. Ross Perot's growing popularity, however, has Forrest and other union leaders worried.

"He's telling people what they want to hear but where's his plan?" she said.

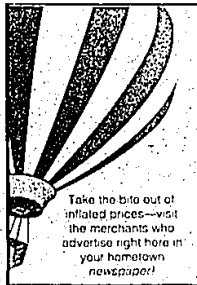
A Tennessee native, Forrest joined the UAW in 1957 after moving to Michigan with her family.

Two years later she became a local officer.

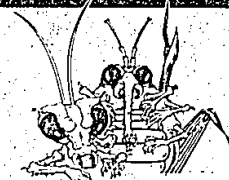
Forrest's top goal in her new post? Helping bring about economic change.

"I was coming back on a flight and the fellow sitting next to me was an engineer worried about his job," she said. "That's what we have to understand, it's not just union members. It's engineers, draftsmen, everybody."

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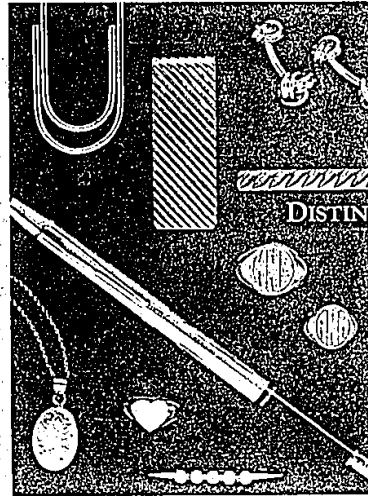


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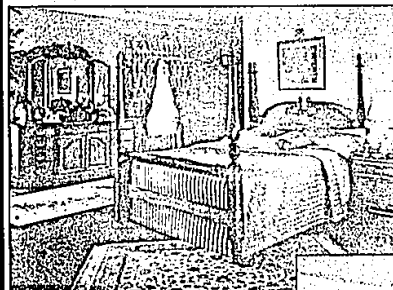


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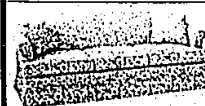
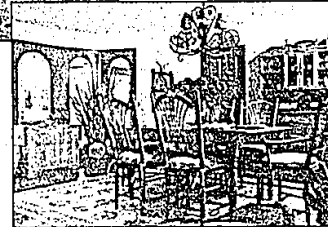
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