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More about that new washing machine

A few months ago I prom-ised you that I would let you know more about a certain washing machine. If you remember, a company in Ohio wanted ny help in Jaunching

style

this new washer into the retail industry. It isn't available in any retail stores across

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said, "I can't say any more until I visit their factory and find out if this is a chicken barn operation or a legitimate oper-ation."

A few days ago I went to the factory to see with my own

The building is 30,000 square feet in a new industrial complex with the appearance inside and out of being immac-

inside and out of being immue-late. The president of the corpo-ration and his key people are well involved in the communi-ty and respected in the busi-ness world. I spent a few hours in the factory and watched as they built a washing machine from start to finish.

For the many people reading this who have seen the rust buildup on the inside of their

washer cabinets, this washer is painted inside and out. The bottom structure is also made of steel and is also painted. The reason I point this out the because many of the cabinets today aren't painted inside and the rust conditions are a seri-ous concern to the service industry.

ous concern to the service industry. This company wants its products to book good after 15 years of service and it even makes the immer and outer tubs out of stainless steel. The washer init a front loader but loads from the top. The washer init a front loader but loads from the top. It will also take a load of 16 regular bath towels without bang overloaded. The callege kid comes home for the weekend and attempts to wash 90 pounds of clothes in one load, all he or she can do the motor. The warene person who can hold a screwdriver can change

EXPO event All EXPO Design Centers - including those at 660 E. Big Deaver Road in Troy, 7200 Carbard Lake Road in West Bioomfield, and 45600 Utice Park Biol. In Utica - will preerd an EXPO Home Show Friday-Sunday, Sept. 1315. The show will feature a wide writely of activities and events for homeown-ers, buildes and designers. Homeowners planning for fall home Improvement and deconlaring projects

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will be able to attend cooking demon-

will be able to attend cooking demon-strations, grilling techniques from Chatbroll, design a Picture Frame art workshop for children. The event will showcase products, special appearances, giveaways and oppartunities for customers to regis-ter to win thousands of dollars in ERP0 products.

EXPO products. EXPO's professional designers will be on hand to offer expert design advice.

on hand to offer expert design advice. Fall wreath Biossam, 33864 Woodward in Birmingham, is olfering a handsrom workshop, Akhing a fall Wreath, 6.20-8.30 pm. Thursday, Sept. 19. The class is limited to 25. cost is 520 per person rom-relundable). Register in person or by culting (240 rp.27-208. The class will feature a demonstration of design ideax union writions perma-

of design ideas using various permanent materials appropriate for a d or indoor wreath. Blossoms staff will

be present to answer questions and assist students with product selection and design. Light refreshments will be

served.

the belt in five minutes. No service technician

No service technician required. The machine is extremely quiet when operating, and the spin sycle so smooth you can balance a nickel on edge on the machine during it. This tub-balance is because they use a theck absorbers, similar to those of a car, and I can't tell you how many homeowners compilain about a vibrating washing machine. We are being toll today that manufacturers are now gener-ing sup to change the washer industry to all front loaders so they can meet the energy rat-ings set forth recently by the U.S. Department of Energy. This new washer I am writing U.S. Department of Energy. This new washer I am writing about already meets those Energy Star Rutings and it is still a top loader. No bending over to lift that heavy armful of clothes. I remind you that it isn't in

AT THE SHOW

retail locations to be seen or bought, and that I am current-ly working on the introduction of this washer into a retail location in this area. You can see this washer on a few ships in the U.S. Navy, which are so pleased with his performance that they have recently placed an order for more to be delivered.

You will be able to see this washer when I do the home show Friday-Sunday, Sept. 13-15, at the Troy Sports Center, on E. Big Beaver Road at John R. (Show hours are 5-8 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sturday, 10 be right beside me. It will have a plastic, see-through front on

19025 Grand River, (315) 836-2121. 17(ckets can also be bought Saturday at the North Rosedale Park Community Nouse, 18445 Satstatle, where the tour will begin. **Cranbrock Nouse** Tours are scheduled now Ihrough October at historic Cranbrock House, 380 Lone Pine Road in Bloomfield Mills. Free parking is at Christ Church Cranbrock, directly at cross Lone Pine Road Cost is 50 for tours at D am. Sindays, and II am. and 15 p.m. Ihursdays. You may include Lunch at noon Thursdays for an admitted Linch admitted and the Surce Source Source Source by making a reservation. The function available only with a 50 lour. After Touring the bouse, you may Stroll Introoph the Surce you may After fouring the house, you may stroll through the surrounding 40 acres of gardens at no extra charge. For 56, you may visit, only the gardens any time from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays, or 11 a.m. any time from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays, or 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sundays. Reservations aren't necessary for house lours. For Thursday lunch reservations, group rates, senior and student discounts, rates, senior and student discourts, private quide dy addret tours and more information, call (248) 645-3147. Cranbrosk Houver was the home of Cranbrosk Houver was the home of Booth, who were principal players in the American Arts and Craits move-ment in the early 20th century. Saarinen House on Lone Pine Road, home of the world famous architect of many of Cranbrosk's buildings, is also open to visios: call toliferie (877) 462-7262 for times, costs and other information.

The Orson Starr House Museum, 3123 N. Main, one block south of 13 Mile in Royal Dak, has an open house the sec ond Sunday of each month. The house was built in 1845. Donations appreciat ed. Call (248) 588-7563.

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and the simplicity of the inner-workings. One last thing to point out in this world filled with so much unctical behavior: I am doing this for yon, the consurger. It is as simple as that. I am not being paid by the manufacturer or the retail store that will carry this machine. I am buying one of these washers for my home, which means I am writing a check for it. It seems almost corry that some one will take this own time and drive four hours away to do something for others, but that's the way it is.