

# WEDGE

SOUTH WEDGE PLANNING COMMITTEE

OAKLAND PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

## Kids Practice Home Rehab in Urban Workcamp

by Anne Barden Waasdorp

O'Neil Reid, James Smith, Jr., Kenny Holland, Ryan Hill, Hoa Nguyen, Huan Nguyen, Chris Warren, and Eddie Newland improved their skills as they worked under the supervision of Robert Maher to transform the exterior of 87 Poplar Street, 24 Hickory Street, 6 Burkhard Place, and 48 Averill Avenue. Bob Maher applied his skills as a construction teacher at Edison High School to on site instruction and supervision that enabled the eight youth to work together as an effective home rehabilitation team.

Each of the four South Wedge homes was carefully assessed by Bob Maher and the Workcamp participants. A contract was then negotiated with the homeowner(s) who were unable to do the work themselves because of physical limitations. Once the contract was established, the goal was to complete the contract on time with quality work. All the homes required some painting and the replacement of damaged and deteriorating wood and broken glass. Most of the homes also needed porch and masonry repair as well as yard and driveway maintenance work. The materials required for the home

improvement are materials that are eligible for Special Materials Grant reimbursement through the City of Rochester. As the youth went about the process of fulfilling their four contracts with homeowners, they learned to work together as well as to work under supervision and with homeowners. Their work involved developing and following through on work plans and estimating the required supplies. Their ability to follow through on their commitments was revealed to them and to all of us who live and work in the South Wedge as they successfully completed their work on time and received the heartfelt gratitude of the homeowners and their sponsors.

Each of the eight youth received a certificate at a luncheon at Law's given in their honor on Tuesday, August 13th. Prior to the luncheon, representatives from the South Wedge Planning Committee, Rochester Jobs, local businesses and church sponsors were provided with a guided tour of the four homes. Those on the tour joined the homeowners in thanking the workcamp participants and Bob Maher for A JOB WELL DONE!▲



6 Burkhard Place



24 Hickory Street

## U of R's River Development plans undergo modification

by Art Grimwood

In March, 1984 the City of Rochester, Monroe County, and the University of Rochester released a conceptual plan for redevelopment of the Genesee Riverfront and surrounding areas from Ford Street south to the Barge Canal. While it may appear to the casual observer that nothing much has come of the plan, there have been some developments worth noting.

For three months last fall representa-

tives from affected neighborhoods met weekly with City Department of Community Development staff members to discuss and modify the original plan authored by consultant Lane, Frenchman and Associates. The neighborhood committee issued its recommendations to City Council last December. (The report was reprinted in the December *Wedge*, copies still available.)

On February 19, City Council passed a resolution, to which the Neighborhood Report was attached, authorizing some preliminary projects and several studies to determine cost and impact of most aspects of the plan. Reports in the daily newspapers at that time created the false impression that Council had agreed to adopt the plan as outlined by Lane Frenchman. Reprinted below is the text of the resolution Council actually voted on. continued on page 4

The current status of development plans is as follows:

- The City approved funds for rodent baiting and clean up of vacant land on the west bank of the river from Ford Street to Brooks Avenue. Work should be completed by the end of August.
- The City has extended its housing and commercial rehabilitation programs to the Plymouth-Exchange and Genesee-Brooks areas. It will also install new curbs, sidewalks, and landscaping along part of Plymouth Avenue.
- An Implementation Committee to continually review plans will consist of representatives from the City, County, U of R, area businesses and neighborhoods, including persons who served on the Neighborhood Committee. The members will probably have been named by the time this is in print.

- An Environmental Impact Statement (E.I.S.) will be prepared according to Federal and State regulations. It will discuss cultural, community and natural resources existing within the area, procedural requirements, alternatives to various parts of the plan including those suggested by the Neighborhood Committee, and other effects of development.

- A study of Transportation Projects Impact, Concept Design and Cost Refinement will be prepared. The consultant is directed to design several alternatives to all proposed road and intersection changes, and to analyze traffic impacts of each. Design of pedestrian trails, a foot bridge over the river and rehabilitation of the railroad bridge are to be submitted along with cost estimates. The City has indicated the consultant should coordinate plans with the Elmwood Avenue design study and the County Parks Department's Master Plan for Genesee Valley Park, both currently being conducted. Costs for the E.I.S. and study will be shared by the City, County, and U of R. Who the consultants will be is unclear as of this writing, the transportation and concept design study may go to the lowest bidder. Lane, Frenchman and Associates will be involved and Sasaki Associates will participate in other related studies commissioned by the U of R.

- A third study by the City staff will identify marginally used industrial properties Lane, Frenchman and the Neighborhood Committee suggested could be removed. This study is now underway.

- The U of R has initiated studies to describe landscaping, recreational development, and identify parking provisions if sections of Wilson Blvd. are to be removed, which is uncertain.



87 Poplar Street

- The U of R and City will undertake yet another study to determine the feasibility and need for a new retail complex proposed by the U of R.

The original Lane, Frenchman and the Neighborhood Reports have been submitted to the City Planning Commission, which will also receive all the studies described above before making any recommendations. Some of these will not be completed until early 1986. All studies will be scrutinized by the Implementation Committee and all proceedings will be subject to public comment. The *Wedge* will continue to report on River plans as events warrant.▲

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Neighbor News

### Geriatric Special Care Unit Opens

Pressrelease

Highland medical and surgical patients over 65, who can maintain or improve their ability to perform the tasks of daily living will be eligible for admittance to Highland's newly opened Geriatric Special Care Unit. The goal of the unit, which celebrated its dedication day on July 26, is to provide acute care while meeting the special needs of the elderly patient.

According to the Strategy Report on the Geriatric Care Unit, one of the realities of the effects of traditional hospital care of the elderly is their predisposition to complications and their loss of independence which increases their length of stay and decreases their functioning ability. The principal thrust of this unit, therefore, is to maximize the patients' level of functioning and facilitate their return to independent living, as much as possible.

#### STAFFING AND TREATMENT

Zsolt de Papp, M.D., serves as Medical Director for the Unit. He has been the head of Highland's Endocrinology Department since 1980 and Medical Director of Hill Haven Nursing Home since 1981. Dr. de Papp will lead daily teaching rounds with Medical house officers. Barbara Schrage, R.N., who has expertise in Gerontology, serves as Head Nurse. Under her direction is a nursing staff educated in providing for the special needs of the geriatric patient. Noroon Mayer, R.N., is the new Gerontology Nursing Education Instructor. Peg Morris, B.S.W., is the Unit Social Worker. Admission screening will be done jointly by the medical director, nurse clinician, and social worker in concurrence with the patient's attending physician(s).

The unit employs a multidisciplinary team approach, which includes the patient and family as integral components. Combined efforts of nurse, physician, social worker, physio-therapist, nutritionist, chaplain and contracted specialists, e.g. occupational therapist, challenge traditional approaches by relying on team conferences and patient/family education to accomplish objectives. A



T. Franklin Williams, M.D. Director, National Institute on Aging, Bethesda, Maryland spoke at dedication of the Geriatric Special Care Unit, July 26th.

comprehensive screening and assessment will be completed by each relevant discipline to determine a comprehensive plan of care.

The unit includes a communal room where patients may interact with fellow patients, encouraging socialization and reality awareness for those patients that are able. This area also serves as a dining room.

Patients participate in a daily schedule of individualized activities. For some patients this includes an exercise program under the supervision of a physical therapist.

Patients dress in street clothes rather than bed attire and are encouraged to manage their own activities of daily living as soon as they are physically able, in an effort to retain a sense of self and maintain control of their own lives.

Negotiations are underway with local long term care facilities and service providers so that the patient has an easy transition from Highland to another care facility or to his/her home. ▲

### Landmark Tour of Mt. Hope Area A Huge Success

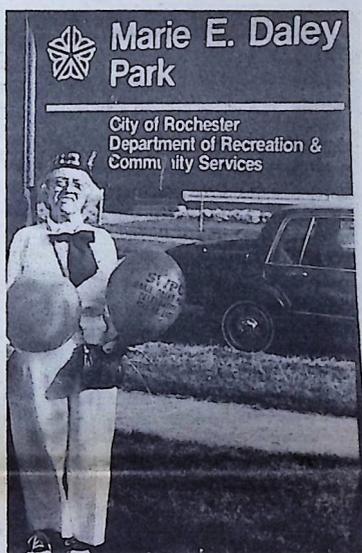
Pressrelease

The Landmark Society's House and Garden Tour of Magnificent Mt. Hope! was a tremendous success, according to coordinator Ann B. Parks. The crowds were undeterred by threatening skies June 29 and 30, when almost 2,500 people toured mansions and cottages along Mt. Hope Avenue.

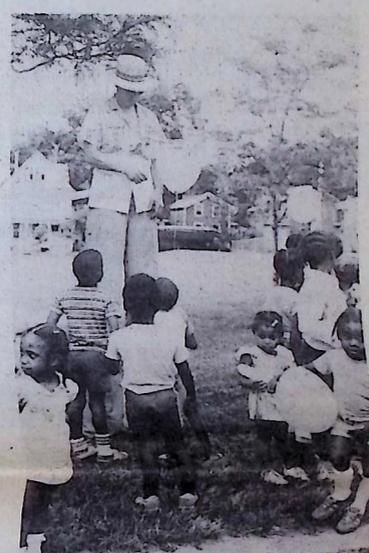
Parks, who is Director of Membership and Communications for the Landmark Society, said this was the most successful Landmark Society tour in her memory. "Much of the credit goes to the volun-

teers from The Friends of Mt. Hope," she said. Friends of Mt. Hope co-sponsored the event with the Landmark Society.

The Landmark Society's annual tour was held for the past 15 years in the Corn Hill neighborhood. It was decided in 1985 to rotate the tour to different neighborhoods and towns, to help draw attention to the fine preservation efforts happening throughout the area, Parks said. The location of next year's tour has not been decided. ▲



Marie Daley!



Lots of fun, balloons and clowns.

### Marie Daley Park

by Jay Parsons

Marie Daley Park was the scene of a happy neighborhood picnic on July 18. Sponsored by the Planning Committee, the festivities included children's games, a baseball game between Laws and the Gregory Street Market (with Laws taking

the decision) clowns, balloons, and lots of food for over 200 guests.

The City's Jeff Swain and Ruth Scott were present, and Marie Daley was on hand to lend her always sparkling presence to the neighborhood festivities. ▲

### Corner Store to get Re-hab

by Jay Parsons

Residents of the Linden/South neighborhood will welcome this news. The former retail store at 848 South Avenue, long an eyesore since a fire destroyed it last year, will soon revert to its original purpose—as a residential structure.

Danny Stefanou, owner of the Highland Market, will return the building to a 4-unit housing use, and his plans envision a restoration of the building in keeping with the predominately residential character of the neighborhood. Renovation work is scheduled to begin later this month. ▲

### Wine cellar to open

by Jay Parsons

Carpentry work on oak wine racks, extensive glass replacement, the on-site construction (by master Coopers) of enormous 1000 gallon oak wine barrels—this is the activity now ongoing at Lac Domaine Wine Cellars, 315 Gregory Street. Extensive, impressive renovations are on target for an early September opening, according to Robert Ramsey, Lac Domaine's owner.

Later this month exterior changes will begin to appear, and once the racks, barrels, and a tiled tasting-bar are installed, plush Burgandy carpeting will be

laid, and Lac Domaine's gala unveiling will usher in the fall season in the South Wedge. ▲

### Don't Throw your Tools Away—

by Rev. Anne Barden Waasdorp

If you are a business or a homeowner in the process of upgrading your tools, if you are moving, or if you are getting rid of tools you no longer need, please consider contributing them to the South Wedge

Tool Library. The Tool Library is about the business of expanding its resources to better meet the tool needs of the people of the South Wedge. Your contributions of tools can help the tool library enable a home or business owner accomplish construction work without having to invest in tools they cannot afford and/or do not need often enough to justify buying.

If you would like additional information about the tool library and/or the tax deductible contribution of tools to the library, please call the South Wedge Planning Committee, Inc. at 325-4950. ▲

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## School News

### St. Boniface Upkeep Continues

#### Press Release

While the students are enjoying the respite of a summer vacation from school, much is happening at St. Boniface School on Gregory and Whalin Sts.

In addition to the general "house-cleaning"—floors, carpeting, washing walls, dusting, etc.—shortly contractors will be busy replacing the old windows on the South and most of the West side of the building with modern Thermal-Energy Saving windows. A new canopy has been affixed to the South side entrance of the school. The weeds and overgrowth around the building have taken a beating and a small area adjoining the lawn on the Whalin Street side of the building has been landscaped with evergreens, rocks, and pine mulch.

Carpeting is planned for the principal's office, the teachers lounge and the new chapel. The chapel is being developed by volunteers from the parish, with

many of the furnishings coming from the old (now Becket Hall) convent chapel. Also, certain electrical and plumbing improvements are being addressed.

The building, a landmark in the area for parish and neighborhood functions, should be in "A-1" condition when the students return in September.

In addition to the physical and aesthetic embellishments, curriculum improvements will include the addition of a part-time language teacher (Spanish and/or French) and a part-time computer teacher.

Registrations for the Fall term are currently being accepted at the Parish Rectory (473-4271) and will be acted on promptly by Sister Blanche, upon her return from vacation and a tour of social work at the Motherhouse in Wilton, Conn., on August 5 (daily: 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.).▲



Eric Gainey attended #12 School

### Eric: A Tribute

by Mary Spadoni

Family and friends gathered at Faith Temple Full Gospel Church to celebrate Eric Gainey's life and death on Saturday, August 10th. Four days before, seven year old Eric was crushed by a fork lift blade left in the parking lot adjoining the Church. The congregation wept and smiled as each recalled Eric—his gentle eyes and lively spirit.

A Genesee Gateway (now River Park Commons) native tenant, Eric was born January 20, 1978 and attended School #12 with his brother and constant companion, Andre, age 11. Family friend, Sue Milton, describes Eric as loving, gentle and friendly. Sue touchingly recalls Eric's playfulness with her daughter Carmen, age 2, and his affinity for little ones. Rutha Killings, Coordinator of the River Park Child and Family Center where Eric's mother works, recalls his eagerness to learn and please and his constant smile.

Verna Austin, Eric's mother, when asked to describe her son, responds without hesitation, "Eric loved God and loved others." His willingness to help with dinner, to set the table, to care for Kyle, his two year old brother, speaks to Eric's unselfishness. Frequently, Eric

would hug his mom and comfort her, "Mommy, you're the best mommy in the world!" Larry Gainey, Eric's father, mirrors the feelings of many, "It makes me so happy that Eric touched so many people in his few years... he never hurt anyone..." The strength of this family is apparent because as they grieve their loss they give thanks for their seven year gift of a very special son and brother.

Above all, Eric loved God and heard God speak to him daily. Bishop Jerry McCullough will remember Eric's courage as he testified before hundreds in Church to God's glory and importance in his life. He thanked God for his mother and father, for his quarters and treats and for all the gifts he believed God gave him.

On behalf of the neighboring community, we thank Eric's parents, Verna and Larry for the gift Eric is to each of us. In a world where children often expect to receive, their son happily gave.▲

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### What's New at Number 12

by Barbara Wager, Principal

I am pleased to be writing to you this year in my new capacity as principal of James P.B. Duffy School No. 12. In my previous role as vice principal I wrote about special programs at Number 12, such as *Arts and Academics* which provides foreign language or intercultural arts to 4th, 5th, and 6th graders; the *Major Achievement Program* for gifted intermediate students; and the *Primary Approach to Language* which provides a half day of Spanish to students making a three-year commitment to becoming fluent in two languages.

These excellent programs continue at Number 12. This year we add the *Bilingual Program* for Hispanic students, and the *Intercultural Arts Program* through which all students will participate in a unit of study with a teacher specializing in the study of foreign cultures.

First grade students at Number 12 will also experience a new learning climate which moves them away from their desks more often and into activity centers for part of the day. Youngsters will be participating more actively as they measure, sort, build, and solve problems. They will work daily in small groups and on individual assignments. Parents are

invited to take an active part in the instruction of their first grade child.

We at Number 12 hope that our stream of visitors will continue and increase in 1985-86. We have had a most heartening spurt of growth in both population and programs during the past five years. Students now come to us from beyond the neighborhood and quadrant, from the farthest corners of the city, and from the suburbs.

We are eager to share the happenings at our exciting school with the community—so much so, that one of our parents has produced an exceptional slide show with cooperation from Rochester's most gifted professionals in the field of communications. We will be showing the film during our September Open House. If you miss it, be sure to call the school (461-3280) and inquire how you may see the presentation.

Number 12 is proud to be part of the revitalized South Wedge community. We believe that the success of the neighborhood and the success of the school are interdependent. We mean to continue to make Number 12 School a reason for living in "the Wedge."▲

### Resolution Relating to the Genesee River Corridor Development

WHEREAS, the City of Rochester, County of Monroe and the University of Rochester are vitally interested in the development of that portion of the City adjacent to the Genesee River south of the Ford Street Bridge in order to capitalize on the unique potential offered to existing and future residents, businesses and institutions adjacent to the river, and

WHEREAS, the City, the University and Monroe County have jointly participated in the preparation of a conceptual development plan for the Genesee River Corridor South, and

WHEREAS, neighborhoods within the corridor have reviewed the concept plan and have expressed support for development while citing specific concerns that will require further study, and

WHEREAS, the City has already extended the full range of its housing and commercial rehabilitation programs to the Plymouth-Exchange neighborhood as recommended by the neighborhood's committee, and

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## Open Letter From Monroe's New Principal



Robert Pedzich, Monroe's new principal.



Ferdie Rodriguez, new V. Principal



Peggy Courtney, new V. Principal

Dear Parents,

A special welcome is extended to all of our new and returning families. I am looking forward to an exciting and rewarding school year especially since this is my first year as principal.

School re-opens for all students on Wednesday, September 4, at 7:30 a.m. Just before Labor Day, your child will receive a letter indicating his/her homeroom assignment and bus pick up time (if you are eligible for transportation). A copy of his or her schedule will be distributed in homeroom on the first day of school. It is imperative that your child be present and on time for the first day of classes. Your child may experience scheduling difficulties if he or she is tardy or absent on September 4.

Please review your child's schedule immediately. If there is a problem, have your son or daughter request a scheduling conference with the appropriate counselor. Remember that over 2000 students attend Monroe and most have a special need or request. Please be patient. The staff will address each concern as quickly as possible, usually within the first two weeks of school.

A copy of the *Student-Parent* handbook will be distributed in homeroom. The information will be reviewed in all English and Social Studies classes. Parents should carefully read the handbook because it will answer many of the questions regarding school policies.

Students who received free or reduced lunches last year will again be eligible during the first week or two of September. Once the new guidelines and applications are available, you must re-apply. However, you will be given ample notice.

Congratulations! A recent *Times Union* article noted that "eleven students received awards this year totaling \$3,600 from the Ibero-American Action League's Don Samuel Torres Scholarship Fund, named after a pioneer and a long-time community activist in Rochester's Hispanic community."

"The seed money for the fund came from money generated to help the parents of a Hispanic girl who was murdered in the early 1970's. Ibero's board of directors voted four years ago to put the money left over from that fund into a scholarship fund."

"Six sophomores and junior, all from Monroe High School, received \$100 each: Zynthia Franco, Wanda Jimenez, Celestino Padilla, Liseda Rivera, Connie Rodriguez, and Carmen Santiago."

Several School of the Arts students received Daisy Marquis Jones Drama Awards: Britton Perry, Sophi Roberts and Annelise Wonderlick from the junior high and Tonya Black, Chad Franklin, Susan McNeal, Richard Mansfield, Steven Scott, Jessica Stone and Eric Weisenreder from the Senior High. Junior Yvonna Enders received a Gold Key Award from Hallmark for her painting entered in a regional scholastic art exhibit. Yvonna's painting was sent to New York and won in a national competition. The jazz band won a pop award at the state-wide Auburn Jazz Festival.

Once again our students who took Advanced Placement classes and the final test did extremely well. On the national level, approximately sixty percent of those taking the test scored high enough to qualify for college credit. At Monroe, eighty-four percent scored in the high category for college credit.

We need your support in arresting a serious problem. Over the past years we have been losing large numbers of library and textbooks. This past year over 800 books (average replacement cost is over \$10.00 each) were either lost or not returned. A

sizeable percentage of the budget was spent on replacing books rather than enhancing our instructional collection. If your child loses a book, a new one will not be issued for home use until it is paid for in full.

During August, you will receive a detailed school district calendar in the mail. Please note the important dates for report cards, parent-teacher conferences and vacations.

### BRIEFLY

- Remind your child the importance of appropriate work/social habits such as completion of homework and proper interpersonal relationship towards peers and adults.

- Encourage your child to participate in extracurricular activities at Monroe High: sports, yearbook, math team, language club, band, choir, etc.

- Stress to your child the importance of proper attendance. Poor attendance results in missing out on homework assignments, class discussions, lessons.

- Remind your child that open lunch is a privilege. Students are expected to return to class after lunch.

- Radios are not permitted. The use of radios disrupts the educational process and they can be stolen.

- Remind your child not to abuse school property. Loitering in the halls and defacement of school property is not permitted.

- We would like to encourage you to become a part of your child's educational process by:

- Participation in the instructional council

- Attending parent group meetings

- Becoming acquainted with your child's teachers, dean, counselor, etc.

- Becoming informed and involved in your child's progress early in the school year.

We will do our best to help your son or daughter grow socially and academically. We need your help to stress good attendance, completion of homework assignments and proper behavior to your child.

A general parent meeting will be held in the main auditorium on Wednesday, September 25, at 7:30 p.m. We will be discussing and seeking parental input on a variety of issues; hall policy, attendance, academic programs, parent involvement, etc. Please write down the date and plan to attend. We need your input.

Some other important dates for junior high parents:

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29, 7:00 p.m.— Orientation meeting for parents only

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 11:00 a.m.— Orientation meeting for all 7th graders and new students to Monroe

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 7:00 p.m.— Major Achievement Program parent meeting in the library

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 7:00 p.m.— Skills Improvement Program parent meeting in room 323.

Finally, I look forward to meeting you on Wednesday, September 25 at 7:30 p.m.

Sincerely,  
Robert J. Pedzich  
Principal ▲



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## Businesses

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Pro!Video Transfer also has the capability to insert titles, special effects, dual channel Dolby stereophonic music, and personal narration to each production or transfer. Other services available include color and image enhancement of older films and pictures, tape duplication and program consultations.

"We can also edit customer's current tapes to insert special effects, add music or remove drop-outs," said George Madden, general manager and program director of Pro! Video Transfer.

One company specialty will be a service for commercial photographers to add music, narration and special effects

to wedding video tapes or to organize still photos or slides of weddings into a video tape presentation. Creative program tapes with high quality production values will be available for company or personal use as gifts, mementoes or awards, or promotions. "A unique feature of our service is that video tape presentations can be highly personalized," Mr. Madden said. "This means our customers see themselves on television in a finished production. Whether it's a graduation, birthday, 50th anniversary or sales production, high quality video productions can be prepared quickly from existing photographic and non-photographic materials."

Other special commercial markets will include preparation of artists' or models' portfolios; education and resource institution tapes; corporate sales or instruction tapes; tapes for museums or galleries; video presentations for animal breeders and work for insurance companies.▲

### Second hand clothes store has sparkle

by Jon Hockenbury

Walking into Star Struck is like walking into a theatrical dressing room—a couple of trips to the fitting room, and you could emerge a whole new character.

Located at 642 South Avenue, the store deals mainly in used, but carefully selected vintage and contemporary women's clothing and accessories. There are some men's clothes, but women's fashions predominate, comprising perhaps three-quarters of the inventory.

Star Struck is owned by Joe Julian and Wanda Molisani, who manage to find many items in excellent used condition.

"I've always been interested in clothes, style and fashion. A number of years ago I started to go into the Salvation Army and collect things... I found brand-new things with tags on them," said Julian. He "used to see all this stuff that was available," so he began to collect, at first for gifts to friends and later with the idea of a store in mind, he said. "I just didn't like too many of the things that were available" in the retail market at that time, he said of his motivation to open the shop.

Julian had worked as a salesman, window dresser and manager at Len-

David, Ltd. in Brighton. About five years ago he and Molisani had "lost interest in what [they] were doing," and began to discuss the idea of starting a new and used fashion shop. Molisani provided the push, gently nudging Julian. Finally Molisani, who operated Wanda's Cut And Style in Irondequoit, said "Joe, why don't you start looking for a store to rent," Julian recalled.

"I had visions of the type of store I would want to have," he said, which included mirrored walls and a black and white checkerboard floor. After a two-month search, they discovered the vacated South Avenue storefront. It had just the kind of decor that Julian had imagined. He recalled exclaiming "God, could this be the place?" when he first saw himself in the mirror standing on the checkerboard floor. "It was almost like a dream come true, really," he said.

There are new and used items, including many women's dresses, priced between 16 and 30 with a substantial selection around 20 dollars. Star Struck is open from 10:30-6:30 Monday through Thursday and Saturday and Friday until 8:00.▲

### The Avenue Sweetery: ice cream's best seat in town

by Jon Hockenbury

Heading north on South Avenue at Gregory Street will take you right into the corner seat at the counter at The Avenue Sweetery, which is about the best place I know to sit back and enjoy a hot fudge sundae.

The Wedge's newest lunch spot provides counter and table service for light dinners, snacks, ice cream sundaes and specialties and a unique view down South Avenue.

"We're here to give good service, [and] good quality food," said owner Tom G. Valenta. About business, "it's getting there. Every day gets a little better. It takes time for people to know you're here," he said.

Open since June 28, The Avenue Sweetery serves soups, salads, sandwiches and a fruit plate in addition to its sundaes and splits. "I'm kind of limited to cold stuff right now. I started off with basically cold sandwiches, but I'll be

adding some hot ones in the next couple of weeks.

"We're doing a lot of family business. That's nice; I like to see that. It's good—it's a nice place for kids," said Valenta, a tall, thin man with dark curly hair. At this point during the interview for *the Wedge*, a fiftyish grandmother strolled in with three young but very ambulatory children. They ordered ice cream cones, and when one kid complained to Grandma that his cone was dripping, she rushed to the rescur, licking the melting cone with notable relish. Observing business was picking up at that point, waitress Jeanne Marie Sozio commented to another customer word of mouth is getting around.

Word of mouth indeed—and we're not just talking about the kiddies.

The Avenue Sweetery is open from 11:00-11:00 Monday through Saturday and 4:00-11:00 on Sunday. There is free parking out back.▲

The Avenue Sweetery at 686 South Avenue



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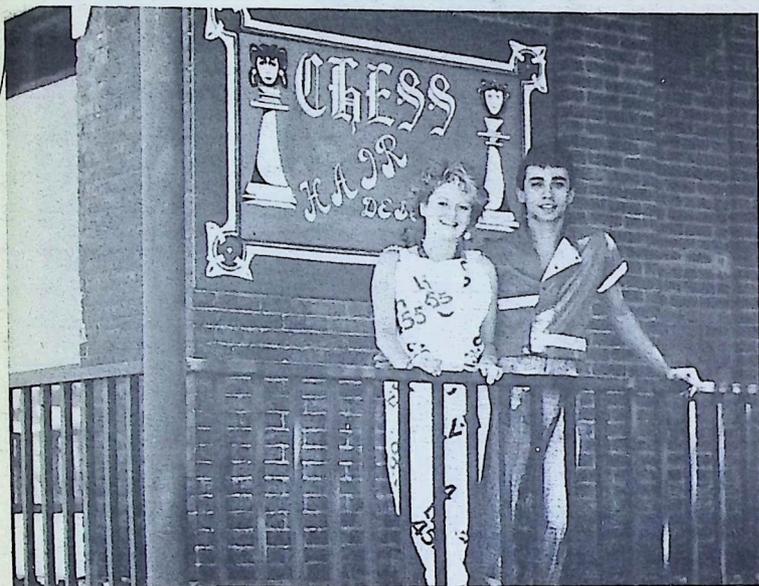


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## New swank hair salon opens on South Avenue



Salvatore Cosentino and Geraldine Clowes owners of Chess Hair Design

by Jon Hockenbury

"I like people who spend money on their hair," said Salvatore Cosentino, and as co-owner of Chess Hair Design, he ought to. And he feels that customers who want the best in hair care get their money's worth at his new salon.

"You're entertained... We use the most expensive products on the market. We're unique in our work. You'll never get a frizzy perm in this place; that's guaranteed," he said.

Owners Cosentino and Clowes have committed themselves to providing their customers a top-notch salon treatment. They have spared no expense in outfitting their salon, which opened July 1st. Chess Hair Design features a very modern, if somewhat glitzy decor. "It was mainly my idea, but I had people from Sibley's do [the decorating]," said Cosentino.

All the decor will be changed once a month and organized around some theme, such as the movies, to which this month's mural-sized photo of Gary Cooper hangs in silent testimony. Cosentino admitted that such frequent changes in decor can "be pretty expensive... [but] I do [the decorators'] hair," thus defraying the cost of decorating services, he said.

Cosentino said that the shop's neighbors, many of whom remember the building as a residential dwelling, have expressed curiosity regarding its renovation. "People just walk right in the salon, walk right through the place before cause they remember what it was like before. The place was a mess; we did all the work on it," he said.

Chess Hair Design should be completely renovated and in "smooth" condition by the end of August, the owners said.

Cosentino said he believes in the return of business activity to downtown and other urban areas of Rochester because the offices there provide customers for service businesses like his. He feels that the South Wedge may be on the verge of an economic boom like the one that made Park Avenue the urban shopping district it is today. "We were interested in this area... in the next two years it will be the next Park Avenue, just as good, just as crowded." He and Clowes opened in the Wedge because they thought that park Avenue was "too crowded with stores," he said.

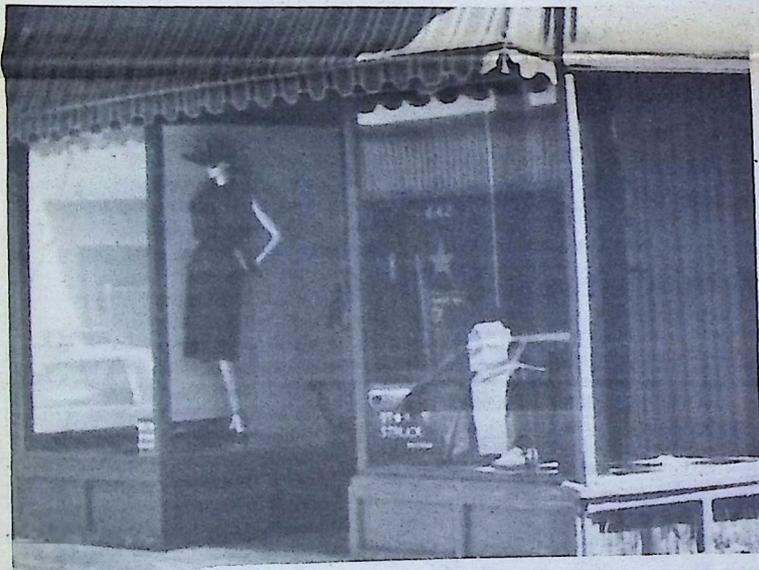
The South Wedge is "the last upcoming urban area," said Cosentino, who offered the recent financial history of Chess Hair Design's building as evidence. "This building was actually bought for fifteen thousand ten years ago and the current landlord bought it for one hundred thousand dollars— that's before I moved in [and made improvements]— so if you were to get an estimate now, it would be worth that much more," he said.

Both Cosentino and Clowes are former employees of Shear Ego in Irondequoit. Also, both are foreign born— Clowes hails from London, England and Cosentino is from Palmi, Italy.

The regular price of a wash, cut and dry is twenty dollars. Perms run thirty-five, forty-five and fifty dollars. Customers receive considerable pampering and are willing to pay these prices for the relaxation of sipping a glass of wine while being beautified. Cosentino said that some customers stop in for the treatment whether they need their hair cut or not. One woman who "didn't get a new car" and felt in need of consolation said "Sal, do something to make me feel better," he said.

Chess Hair Design is open 10:00-7:30 Tuesday through Friday and Saturday 10:00-3:00.▲

## Star Struck! Second-hand store has sparkle!!



## Little Venice Pizza

by Jon Hockenbury

A good pizza at a good price is what you'll find at Little Venice Pizza, located at 697 South Avenue.

The business is owned by Tom T. Valenta, and is operated by Michael Valenta and other members of the Valenta family.

"We deliver. We pride ourselves on serving good food. We have a more expanded menu than the other pizzerias," said owner Valenta. In addition to pizza, Little Venice offers salads, sandwiches, chicken wings, and pasta dishes.

Little Venice delivers to the South Wedge neighborhood including Strong Memorial Hospital and the University of Rochester.

The shop features take-outs but also has a limited area for dining in. They serve a generous pizza with lots of cheese, a good crust and fresh, prima vera toppings—all in all, a very good pie.

Little Venice is open Monday through Thursday, 11:00 am-midnight; Friday, 11:00-1:00; Saturday 4:00-1:00 and Sunday 4:00-midnight.▲

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Take your time when buying a house

Pressrelease

The purchase of a house is usually the largest single investment an individual or family makes. Prof. Carol Meeks of Cornell's Department of Consumer Economics and Housing suggests that, as with any major investment, you do your homework before buying.

Take advantage of "open house" or model-house inspections, often advertised by realtors and builders. Go through a number of houses, not with the idea that you are going to buy but to find out what you like and don't like.

"Don't allow yourself to be rushed into buying a house that can wind up costing you more than you can afford," Meeks cautions, "or one that is uncomfortable or in need of major repairs that you overlooked before you bought it."

If you're moving and don't have much time for shopping around, you may want to rent an apartment temporarily. Rent-

ing in the area where you are thinking of buying a house will let you get a feel for what the neighborhood is like. By taking your time, you can look at more houses and get a better idea of the market value.

While house shopping, don't trust your memory. After looking at several houses in one afternoon, it's difficult to remember the details of each one. Take a notebook along to keep a record of each home that you visit.

Jot down the name of the owner, the address, the price and the tax and utility bills. Note the location, its special features and what you did and did not like about the house. By taking careful notes on each one, you won't wind up confusing one house with another when you are at home that evening evaluating them.▲

Your local Cooperative Extension can furnish you with more househunting tips.

Housing Information From the South Wedge Planning Committee

This series of articles was researched and written by the Department of State Division of Economic Opportunity in conjunction with the Bureau of Legal Services.

WARRANTY OF HABITABILITY

New York State law generally provides that tenants have a legal right to live in a place that is healthy and safe. All landlords must keep the residential apartments and common areas that they lease fit for human habitation and prevent the tenants from being subjected to any conditions which would be dangerous, hazardous or detrimental to their life, health or safety. Any breach of this warranty found by a court may result in the court awarding the tenant an amount of money determined to be the damages sustained by the tenant as a result of the breach of warranty, e.g., the value attributed to the loss of elevator service or heat. Any agreement by the landlord or tenant which ignores or changes these rights is invalid and will not hold up legally.

However, the landlord is not responsible for any dangerous or harmful conditions which are caused by the tenant or any person under the tenant's control (family, guests, etc.) (Real Property Law, section 235-b).

NEW YORK STATE HOUSING HYGIENE AND OCCUPANCY CODE

The State Housing Hygiene and Occupancy Code is promulgated by the State Public Health Council pursuant to section 225 of the Public Health Law. The Code applies to all apartments and houses in a municipality if it has been adopted by that local government. However, only a few local governments have adopted the Code. If other applicable state or local

laws, codes, rules and regulations are more restrictive (harsher), they will apply. Many local governments have adopted their own health or housing code. If you have any questions about such matters, you should contact the building inspector in your community's health department or building department to find out the specific requirements in your community. The State Commissioner of Health may enforce the provisions of the Code where a danger or hazard to the public health exists or is likely to exist because of housing conditions (usually extermination or sewage problems).

If your community does not have a housing or health code, you could attempt to have your local legislative body adopt the State Housing Hygiene and Occupancy Code or a similar code. Neighborhood associations, tenant groups and other community organizations might be helpful in any attempt to have a housing code adopted in your community.

The following are general legal rights and responsibilities of the landlord and the tenant. Remember, find out if your community has adopted a housing or health code which would have more specific requirements and responsibilities. If you have a written lease, it usually overrules general landlord-tenant responsibilities, so read it carefully before you sign or you may give away important rights.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF LANDLORD

Occupancy. No owner or other person may rent any dwelling unless it is clean, sanitary and fit for human occupancy.

Public Shared Areas. The owner of a dwelling containing two or more apartments must maintain the shared or public areas in a clean and sanitary condition.

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Rental or Home Buying Checklist



Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Realtor/Seller or Landlord: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Available: \_\_\_\_\_ Length of Lease: \_\_\_\_\_

Rent: \_\_\_\_\_ Includes Utilities: \_\_\_\_\_

Deposit or Security: \_\_\_\_\_ Restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_

Lot Size: \_\_\_\_\_ Type of Construction: \_\_\_\_\_

Depth From Road (to front of house): \_\_\_\_\_

Garage: \_\_\_\_\_ Driveway (paved/gravel) \_\_\_\_\_

Landscaping: \_\_\_\_\_ No. Rooms: \_\_\_\_\_

Floors Condition: \_\_\_\_\_ Hardwood/Carpeted: \_\_\_\_\_

Living Room dimensions: \_\_\_\_\_ Windows: \_\_\_\_\_

Dining Room dim.: \_\_\_\_\_

Dining Alcove: \_\_\_\_\_ Bedrooms: \_\_\_\_\_

Window Exposures: \_\_\_\_\_

Closets: \_\_\_\_\_

Kitchen Dim.: \_\_\_\_\_ Kitchen Condition: \_\_\_\_\_

Stove (gas/elec.): \_\_\_\_\_ Dishwasher \_\_\_\_\_

Freezer: \_\_\_\_\_ Other Appliances: \_\_\_\_\_

Cupboards and Counter Space: \_\_\_\_\_

Bookcases: \_\_\_\_\_ Baths: \_\_\_\_\_

Security System: \_\_\_\_\_ Elevator: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Basement: \_\_\_\_\_ Dampness Marks: \_\_\_\_\_

Laundry Tubs: \_\_\_\_\_ Or Washer Drain: \_\_\_\_\_

Exterminator Needed: \_\_\_\_\_ Fireplace: \_\_\_\_\_

Cost of Cleaning Fireplace: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Time Cleaned: \_\_\_\_\_

Heating (oil/gas/electric): \_\_\_\_\_ If oil, is tank buried?: \_\_\_\_\_

Extras: \_\_\_\_\_

Taxes: \_\_\_\_\_ Zoning Laws: \_\_\_\_\_

Nearest Bus Stop: \_\_\_\_\_

Nearest Public School: \_\_\_\_\_

Nearest Grocery: \_\_\_\_\_

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Floor Plan: \_\_\_\_\_

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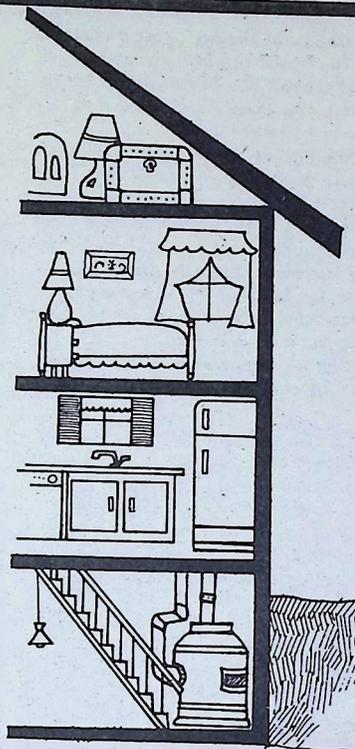
by Michael Horwitz

The County of Monroe has been selected by the State Office of Fire Prevention and Control as a test site for a county wide Escape Drill in the Home (EDITH) to take place during Fire Prevention Week October 9, 1985-7 p.m.

As it is presently conceived, it is hoped that as many homes in the City as possible will participate in this invaluable safety technique. The local Fire Department will play a highly visible and instrumental role in promoting "Operation Edith".

We, at the North East Area Development, Inc. (NEAD) have been asked to coordinate local neighborhood organizations' efforts in promoting "Operation Edith".

Through an introduction to the program, in the Wedge we hope to aid the South Wedge area residents in preventing tragedies by having a planned escape in case of fire. ▲



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**Heat.** Every dwelling must have heating facilities which can safely and adequately heat the dwelling.

**Lighting of Public Halls and Stairways.** Every public hall and stairway in a dwelling containing two or more apartments must be adequately lighted.

**Discontinuance of Services.** No owner can shut off or cause to be shut off services (heat, gas, electricity, etc.) from an occupied dwelling unless necessary for repairs and alteration or during temporary emergencies.

The Public Service Commission has established regulations requiring that advance notice must be given before utility service can be disconnected for failure to pay the bill. The utility company must give you five days written notice if they inform you in person that they are disconnecting your service. If they inform you by mail, they cannot cut your service until eight days after mailing the written notice. Also, disconnections cannot take place on a Saturday, Sunday, public holiday, or any day on which the main business office of the company is not open for business. Utility companies must also set up special procedures they will follow in cases involving the aged, blind or sick (16 NYCRR 143).

Public Service Law, section 116 states that no public utility shall discontinue such services to an entire multiple dwelling (a dwelling containing three or more residential units), without first mailing 15 days notice to the dwelling owner, occupants and appropriate public officials (local health officer, social services commissioner, etc.). Also, notice must be posted in the public areas of the dwelling. Any tenant or public agency may make payment and thereby avoid discontinua-

ance of service. Many welfare departments have an emergency assistance program for welfare recipients to pay off back fuel bills. In addition, community action agencies may have crisis intervention funds available for such purposes.

Any payment made by the tenant to prevent discontinuance pursuant to section 116, may be deducted from any future payment of rent. The owner of a multiple dwelling who causes the discontinuance of the service by failure or refusal to pay the charges for past service may be liable for compensatory and punitive damages to any tenant whose utility service is so discontinued (Real Property Law, section 235-a).

Also, if utilities are discontinued in any part of a multiple dwelling due to the landlord's failure to pay, the landlord cannot bring any legal action to evict or collect rent from the tenants until the amount owing for the utilities is paid and the utilities are restored to working order (Real Property Actions and Proceedings Law, section 756).

Also, **Your Landlord Must:** Keep the plumbing, wiring, hot water heater, furnace and radiators in working order, even if he doesn't pay for hot water, gas, electricity, heat, etc. He must tell you before you move in which of these services he will provide.

Fix any other unsafe or unsanitary condition, such as falling plaster, bad or exposed wiring, broken door locks or windows, peeling paint or blocked plumbing.

Keep halls, stairways, attic, basement and yards of apartment houses free from insects, rodents, trash and uncleanness.

Allow you to have guests stay with you for short periods of time. ▲

Over 46,000 residential fires were reported in New York during 1982. Recent figures from the Federal Emergency Management Agency indicate that such fires account for only 25 percent of the total number of fires, but are responsible for 80 percent of the total fire deaths. Many tragedies could be prevented by a planned method of escape.

Your family's chance of survival can be increased by implementing Operation EDITH (Exit Drills In The Home), a method of training family members to escape safely from fire.

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### Developing the Plan

Call all members of the family together to draw a plan of each floor of your house where bedrooms are located.

- Your plan should indicate the location of:
  - smoke detector(s)
  - two escape routes; one for normal use and one emergency route
  - all doors, windows, stairways, fire escapes and adjacent buildings
  - a central meeting place outside your home

- If a window is designated as an emergency route, make sure the person who uses it is able to:
  - reach and unlock the window
  - remove the screen and/or storm window
  - reach the ground safely

- Instruct everyone to gather at the designated central meeting place outside your home.

- Designate someone to call the fire department from a neighbor's house.

- Post copies of your finished plan in conspicuous places as a constant reminder.

- Practice your plan on a monthly basis.

- Remember these important hints:

- Sleeping with bedroom doors closed can add valuable minutes of protection against flame, smoke and toxic gases.

- If you have a telephone in your room, have the fire department's number on it or nearby.

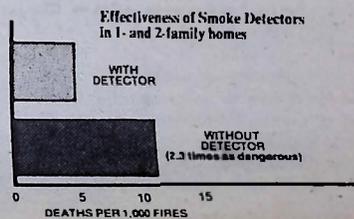
- A whistle, horn or other such audio signal kept near your bed may prove valuable in waking other members of your family who might not hear the smoke detector. If everyone uses a different signal, you will know who is awake without opening doors.

You can rest easier knowing that Operation EDITH is a member of your family.

### Smoke Detectors

Most fatal residential fires occur while the occupants are asleep. Installing smoke detectors outside bedroom areas will provide the extra minutes of warning needed to escape.

The most recent figures available from the National Fire Incident Reporting System indicate that the installation of a smoke detector will double your chance of survival.

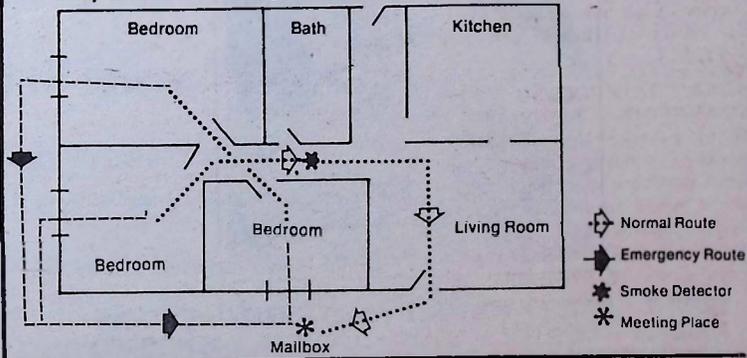


### Putting the Plan into Action

If the smoke detector sounds or you smell smoke, arouse the family with your signal. If you hear another signal, answer with yours.

- Keep calm.
- If possible, call the fire department.
- Roll out of bed and crawl to the door.
- Feel the door from bottom to top. If it is hot near the top, do not open it. Proceed to your emergency exit.
- If the top of the door is not hot, brace your foot and shoulder against it and open carefully.
- If there is only light smoke, crawl to the normal exit. If the smoke is thick, use your emergency exit.
- Report to the designated meeting place.
- Notify the fire department from a neighbor's house.
- Do not allow anyone to re-enter the building for any reason.

### Sample Plan for One-Story Home



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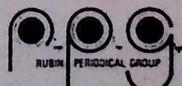


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## Clean and Green

### Harvest Herbs All Year Round

by Harriet Flannery

The flavor and fragrance of home-grown herbs can last all year if the plants are carefully harvested and stored. It's well worth the effort since both fresh and home-dried herbs can be of higher quality than those purchased commercially.

Most leafy herbs can be harvested during the growing season, as long as enough of the plant is left to ensure further growth. Basil, mint, rosemary, thyme and most others can be harvested in small amounts for immediate use by cutting the ends of stems.

This type of clipping encourages branching, and will produce bushier plants. Chives, chervil and parsley are exceptions and should be cut off near the base of the stem rather than from the top.

The best time for gathering herbs is mid-morning on a sunny day—after the dew has dried, but before their essential oils have dissipated. After cutting the herbs, rinse them in lukewarm to cool water, and pat them dry with a towel. To keep the herbs fresh for use later in the day, place them stems down in a glass of water.

It is especially important to harvest herbs for drying or freezing when their oils are at maximum concentration. Leafy herbs are ready when the flower buds begin to open, seeds when they change from green to brown and herb flowers when fully opened. Leafy herbs should be

cut halfway down the stem, allowing for a second growth. At the end of the season, annuals can be cut to the ground, but some foliage should be left on perennial herbs.

If the herbs are long stemmed, after rinsing and patting dry, they can be tied in small bunches, labeled and hung upside down in a well-ventilated location—an enclosed porch, a spare room or some other place where they will not be exposed to direct sunlight.

Flowers, seed heads and herbs with short stems should be dried on a drying rack. A window screen propped between two chairs will work, or a simple rack can be built of one by twos and cheesecloth or screen. The herbs should be spread in a single layer and turned each day, so they will dry completely.

It will take about two weeks for the herbs to dry, depending on the weather. Foliage should be crisp before it is stripped from the stems. Seeds enclosed in capsules should be removed and dried for an additional seven to ten days. It is possible to shorten the process to one day by drying the herbs in an oven, but if the temperature is even slightly high, the essential oils will be destroyed and the herbs ruined.

Dried herbs should be stored in a cool, dry place where they are not exposed to direct sunlight. Ceramic, opaque glass or metal containers are best for herb storage; paper and cardboard will absorb the oils. If clear glass containers are used, they should be kept out of the sun to avoid bleaching of the herbs.

Soon after the dried herbs are bottled, they should be checked to see if moisture has condensed inside the containers. If this happens, the herbs should be removed immediately and allowed to dry for a few minutes longer.

Many herbs—among them marjoram, chives, parsley and tarragon—can be successfully frozen. Herbs to be preserved in this way should be rinsed and dried, but need not be blanched, before they are placed in labeled plastic bags or boxes for freezing. Each herb may be frozen separately, or they may be combined in often-used mixtures.

Contact Cooperative Extension for more information on growing herbs.▲



### Gardening Tips

by Anne Battle McAndrew

Now that we are reaping the benefits of our vegetable and flower gardens and the children are returning to school, start thinking in terms of learning new things, too. Consider taking advantage of the many local opportunities to have fun, stay clean and learn more about gardening!

The Cooperative Extension (call ☐ 461-1000 for course brochure) is offering a terrific course on day lilies:

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## Handy Home Hints: Keep your lawn healthy

### Pressrelease

Proper care is the key to a healthy lawn. And that means plenty of water, frequent mowing, maintaining soil fertility and correct pH, and controlling troublesome weeds and diseases.

Plant experts at Cornell University note that, in dry periods, you should water your lawn thoroughly once a week the water soaks deeply into the soil. Light sprinkling at more frequent intervals moistens only the surface of the soil and favors the growth of shallow-rooted weeds and annual grasses.

When you mow your lawn, don't give it a "crew cut." The green leaves are the food-producing "factory" of the grass plant, and removing too much of the blade weakens the grass and makes it more likely to develop disease. Mow often, but not too drastically.

Upright grasses such as Kentucky bluegrass and fescues should be cut to a height of one and one-half to two inches. No more than one-third of the blade should be cut at any one mowing.

Frequent mowing also helps to prevent the accumulation of a deep layer of clippings which would provide a favorable environment for the growth of disease organisms. If mowing has been delayed, clippings should be raked up or removed with the bagging attachment of the mower.

Maintaining soil fertility and soil pH by adding the right amounts of fertilizer and lime at the correct times is also important, say plant pathologists at Cornell's N.Y. State College of Agricultural Sciences.

Apply most of the annual fertilizer allotment in late fall and smaller amounts in early summer and again in early fall. This fertilizer schedule, which typically includes a total of one to four pounds of nitrogen per 1000 square feet per year (for instance, a 40 pound bag of 10-6-4 has four pounds of nitrogen) is considered best by Cornell plant pathologists for sustaining grass growth and preventing diseases.

To correct acidity, apply lime in the spring or fall whenever soil tests show the pH to be below 6.2.

In spite of these management practices, common diseases such as leaf spot, dollar spot, stripe smut, powdery mildew and others occasionally break out. Spraying with fungicides will restrict development of these diseases. For specific instructions on chemical control, contact your local Cooperative Extension office.

Chemical control is effective in fighting weeds as well. But remember, several herbicides labeled for lawn use will kill any vegetation they contact. Used on a lawn for spot treatment only, they

may control grassy weeds with little damage to desirable nearby lawn grasses but will leave sterile spots for sometime.

Weeds in lawns are either broadleaf (dandelion, chickweed, etc.) or grassy (orchardgrass, quackgrass, nutsedge, crabgrass, etc). Broadleaf weeds are usually most troublesome although crabgrass is often a major offender.

There are several types of weed killers. The broadleaf weed killer should be applied in fall. It may take two years of chemical weed control to get satisfactory results. Spring is a poor time to use broadleaf weed killer since it gives off a vapor that drifts and often damages the new spring growth of shrubs, trees and flowers. If you must use this weed killer in the spring, apply only on windless days and do so with caution.

Cooperative Extension reports that crabgrass is the only grassy weed that is easy to control. In this case, a pre-emergent crabgrass herbicide must be applied in the spring before the weeds come up. There is no vapor drift problem with pre-emergent type weed killer.

The basic ingredient in broadleaf weed killers (herbicides) is 2, 4-D. Alone it will control a wide range of broadleaf weeds. When combined with one or more additional chemicals, such as silvex, MCPP, or dicamba, the number of weeds

controlled is increased. However, Cornell plant experts stress the importance of reading label precautions, since mixtures may also be more hazardous to woody ornamentals.▲



Mow your lawn frequently, but don't give it a "crew cut." No more than one-third of the leaf surface should be removed at any one mowing. Removing too much of the blade weakens the grass and makes it more likely to develop a disease.

## South Wedge Pharmacy

489 South Avenue

Rochester, New York 14620

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### FULL SERVICE PHARMACY

Free Delivery in South Wedge Area

Full Line of Drugs

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Individual Patients Prescription Records

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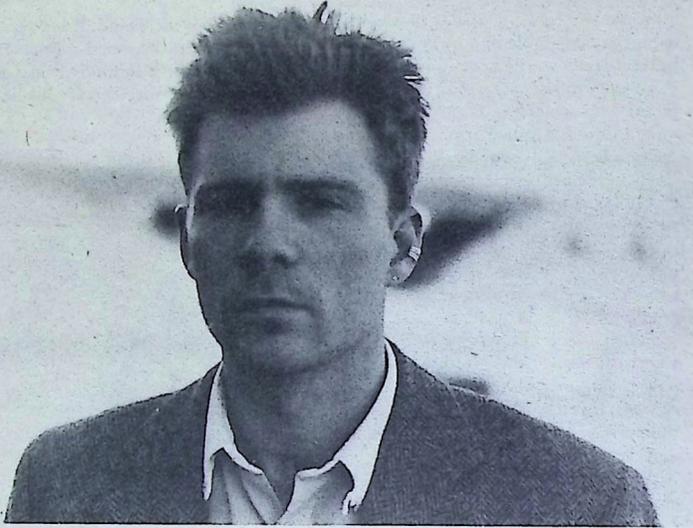
#### HOURS:

Monday — Friday 10 AM-7 PM  
Saturday 10 AM-5 PM  
Sunday 11 AM-3 PM

FREE BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC  
SATURDAY 10 AM - 12 NOON

## Expressions

## Local Poet Surfaces in Wedge



Jon Hockenbury is a Rochester native who has lived in the Wedge for the past year. He has been active in the Rochester poetry scene, participating in readings at Writers & Books on University Avenue, and Snake Sister's Cafe. These are his first poems to surface in print.

THERE'S A RED MOON  
OVER ROCHESTER

There's a red moon over Rochester  
late these some summer nights  
there's beauty in my life again  
fuzzy red clouds shine for me  
at 3:00 AM nocturnal thunderstorm  
winds delay the imminent dew  
until dancing feet are still

And in the morning the City  
smells rainstorm sweet  
like a walk I remember as a Boy Scout  
We marched in giggle formation  
to the blueberry pancake messhall  
we yawned and slipped  
in the vapor trail wiff of tremendous  
vats of oatmeal warm with dawn  
and sweeter than Mom ever dreamed

And now the red moon orbit  
pulls me back through time's  
trajectory through azure skies  
and carmine clouds to dance with  
my Love in a June lunar Jubilee△

Jon Hockenbury

## CAMERA OBSCURA

The tiny photographer hides  
in his light-proof mind &  
waits for the rays to turn  
Then opens the window  
to his silver retina  
retaining life's  
indelible etching△

## HOME, WRITING, WANTING IT ALL

I shield my eyes from the light  
of Dad's stained-glass window  
imperfect radiance of forever  
Outside through panes veiled  
with age the church bell peals  
Waves of light through Dad's glass  
wavering chimes through time's distance  
Minuscule worlds beyond my  
imagination signify "patience"  
I am just a figment of my  
tortured lack of imagination  
Watching concentric rings of experience  
drift through my overheated consciousness△

## GREGORY STREET

Dirty, despicable by day,  
old church, old hall on  
Gregory street where  
broken sidewalk panes rise  
up to meet my constant  
earthbound flattened feet.  
No sun illuminates your highlights  
or conceals in shadows the rows  
between the bricks, your basement  
dark as sewer pipe, damp with  
lime, wet as wino spit.  
Rounding the corner the people  
with eyes down see their own  
footsteps recede into forever's  
South Wedge Rochester generation  
memory—  
Their atomic sensibilities leap  
into the cracks between the bricks  
lighting up with hopeful rays  
the penetrating darkness.▲

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WHEREAS, the City of Rochester would like to advance development of the area taking into account the concerns cited by adjacent neighborhoods, a copy of which is appended to this Resolution in the form of "Neighborhood Report to City Council," and an environmental review of the proposed development.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Rochester accepts the development plan in concept and:

1. Directs the City Administration to work with the County of Monroe and the University of Rochester in conducting all traffic studies necessary to identify the impact of and mitigating measures that could be taken regarding the possible severance of Wilson Boulevard and the impact and mitigating measures that could be taken regarding the increased thru-traffic in the residential portions of the Genesee/South Plymouth neighborhood.
2. Directs the City Administration to work with the County of Monroe and the

University of Rochester in the preparation of an environmental review of the concept plan inclusive of neighborhood concerns.

3. Requests the University of Rochester to conduct the necessary studies and plans to identify provisions they intend to make for supplying additional parking for students, employees and for the general public desiring to utilize the east bank of the river if Wilson Boulevard were removed.
4. Requests the University of Rochester to prepare the necessary plans for landscaping/recreation development of the east bank of the river if Wilson Boulevard were removed.
5. Requests the University of Rochester to conduct, in cooperation with the City of Rochester, studies needed to identify types of uses that are intended to occupy the proposed on-campus commercial areas that would complement existing adjacent commercial areas.
5. Directs the City Administration to make plans for the clean-up of and evaluation of City-owned land on the west

side of the river.

7. Directs the City Administration to work with the County of Monroe and the University of Rochester in concept designing and costing out pedestrian improvements on both sides of the river including the rehabilitation of the existing railroad bridge as a pedestrian bridge and a new pedestrian crossing of the river in the vicinity of Brooks/South Plymouth Avenue intersection.
8. Directs the City Administration to further refine potential land acquisition by identifying those properties marginally used for industrially related purposes with the exception of property located at 710 Exchange Street which is to remain in industrial use as specifically recommended by adjacent neighborhoods.
9. Directs the City Administration to work with the University of Rochester in studying the initiation of a new and appropriate housing mix including low and moderate income housing and in the encouragement of rehabilitation of existing housing on the east and west banks of the river.

10. Directs the City administration to review all housing and commercial programs in the Plymouth/Exchange area and make recommendations on any new programs that could enhance the rehabilitation efforts in the area.
11. Requests the City Planning Commission to review the concept plan and neighborhood concerns and advise City Council regarding Council's eventual formal adoption of a development plan for the Genesee River Corridor South.
12. Directs the City Administration to develop an ongoing process to inform affected neighborhoods regarding the status of a development plan for the Genesee River Corridor South.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a Committee be established by the Mayor and City Council to advise on the status of plan implementation; said Committee should consist of neighborhood representatives, merchant groups, city government and representatives of other appropriate entities.

This resolution shall take effect immediately.▲