

obituaries

GLADYS E. AMES
 Mrs. Ames, 77, of Farmington Hills died Sept. 23 in Botolph Hospital.
 Mrs. Ames was a homemaker.
 Survivors include her daughters, Dorothy Petee and Carol Holloway; a son, William; sister, Dorothy Cozian, and four grandchildren.
 Services were Sept. 28 at the McCabe Funeral Home, Farmington Hills, with L. David McCabe officiating. Cremation was in Evergreen Crematory.

DOROTHY E. BRYANT
 Mrs. Bryant, 74, of Detroit died Sept.

26 in Mt. Carmel Hospital.
 Mrs. Bryant was a saleswoman for a real estate company.
 Survivors include her husband, Chester; sister, Margery Taylor, and brother, James Lars.
 Services were Sept. 28 at the McCabe Funeral Home, Farmington Hills, with the Rev. Robert Weisman officiating. Cremation was in Evergreen Crematory.

JESSIE L. HOYT
 Mrs. Hoyt, 81, of Yorktown Heights, N.Y., formerly of Rosedale Park, died Sept. 27.
 Survivors include her two sisters.

Services were Oct. 1 at the McCabe Funeral Home, Farmington Hills, with the Rev. Gene Stone officiating. Burial was in Acacia Park Cemetery, Birmingham.

MARION F. SUGRUE
 Mrs. Sugrue, 82, of Farmington Hills died Sept. 29 in St. Joseph Hospital, Ann Arbor.
 Born in Ireland, Mrs. Sugrue was a homemaker.
 Survivors include her sons, Frank and Thomas; daughters, Marie Hughes and Sister Jane; 11 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.
 Services were Sept. 30 at the Hee-

ney-Sundquist Funeral Home, Farmington, Mass. was held at St. Alexander's Catholic Church with the Rev. James B. Wright officiating. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield.

FERNAND (FERD) W. MILLER
 Mr. Miller, 87, of Detroit died Oct. 1. Mr. Miller was a retired attorney.
 Survivors include his daughters, Molly Hopkins and Barbara Kutch; six grandchildren.
 Visitation was Oct. 3 at the McCabe Funeral Home, Farmington Hills. Services and burial were in Battle Creek, Mich.

Prepare yourself and your furnace

Cold weather is just around the corner. Taking a few minutes to make some simple checks around the house could save customers money on their winter heating bills, says Jim MacIntosh, general manager of Consumers Power Co.'s metro region.
 The furnace should be high on the checklist. A malfunctioning or poorly adjusted furnace is an energy waster.
 A good way to avoid furnace problems is to have a qualified, authorized heating contractor inspect the furnace, its flue ducts and the chimney.
 There are some furnace maintenance tips for those who enjoy doing it themselves:

- Clean and lubricate the blower fan and replace the dirty air filter.

- Make sure to read the furnace maintenance instructions.
- Clean the furnace humidifier.
- Check air ducts and registers for any blocking.
- Visually inspect the vent piping for deterioration or rusting.
- Adequate preparation for wise use of energy will help keep down your energy bill, MacIntosh says. There are a number of other steps that are recommended to save energy. These include:
 - Set the thermostat as low as is reasonably comfortable. One degree can save about 3 percent of the annual heating usage. A night setback thermostat can save considerable energy.
 - Close drapes in the evening and on cloudy days. Open them on sunny

- days on the windows that face the sun.
- Close off unoccupied rooms.
- Make sure that furniture or drapes do not obstruct the free movement of air from heat registers and cold air returns.
- Weather-strip outside doors or doors to unheated areas. A 1/4-inch crack around a standard door or window frame allows as much heat to escape as a hole the size of a grapefruit.
- Check cracks between window frames and between door frames and the wall. Caulk if necessary.

- Check insulation. If the ceiling or attic has less than three inches, more is needed. A minimum of six inches is recommended. The number one cost-effective step to save energy is to install insulation in the attic.
- Use storm windows or plastic coverings to provide a second layer of protection. Repair broken windows.
- Check dampers on fireplaces, kitchens and bathroom exhaust fans and dryer vents to make sure they close tightly when not in use.

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