



Wicker, wicker, everywhere

Wicker furniture will be among the wares offered during an antique show on June 19 in the Village Mall parking lot. Grand River and Farmington Road. The show will be from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. (Staff photo)

Post office lists mailing suggestions

With Father's Day coming up on June 20, the post office is hoping that the mailing public will do as good a job in addressing cards and gifts, if not better, as they did for Mother's Day.

Postmaster Kenneth B. Harris said "dead letter" offices reported receiving 31 per cent fewer undeliverable Mother's Day cards and gifts than the estimated 28,000 in the previous year.

Mail winds up in the "dead letter" office only when it cannot be delivered as addressed, and there is no return address so it can go back to the sender.

Postmaster Harris offered these suggestions for Father's Day mailing:

Always include return address. Check the accuracy of the address especially if you are not familiar with it.

Do not write the word "city" as a short cut for the actual city name. Be sure you include the right ZIP code and proper postage.

For packages, put Dad's name and address and your own return address inside the package as well as on the outside.

5 area SC students are on dean's list

Five Farmington students were included on the Schoolcraft College Dean's list for winter term.

They are: Karen Bredley, Danny Kidd, James Thill, Karen Wall and Lawrence Zywicki.

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GM workers receive cost of living hike

General Motors has announced that the cost of living allowance for approximately 60,000 U.S. hourly employees will be increased by four cents an hour effective with the pay period beginning June 7.

This latest increase is the 10th and final cost-of-living adjustment under the present three-year labor agreement, which expires Sept. 30.

Since September 1972, the average hourly employee's wages will have increased by \$1.70 an hour through cost-of-living allowance and annual improvement factor increases, said George Morris Jr., vice president of industrial relations.

Cost-of-living adjustments alone have increased hourly wages by \$1.09 an hour.

An additional 18 cents generated under the cost-of-living provisions since 1973 is being used to help pay costs of the employee benefit improvements effective in 1973 and later.

Morris noted that after June 7, the average GM U.S. hourly employee will be earning \$9.88 an hour in straight time wages, including cost-of-living allowance.

This doesn't include the cost to GM of employee benefits, which bring GM's total hourly labor cost for the average employee to almost \$11 an hour, nearly \$2 an hour more than it was three years ago.

On an annual basis, this amounts to nearly \$22,000 of labor cost per employee—about \$6,000 more than it was three years ago. About \$16,000 goes directly to the employee in the form of wages, cost-of-living allowance and vacation and holiday pay, said Morris.

In addition, GM pays more than \$500 annually to provide each employee with a wide range of benefits.

The latest cost-of-living adjustment will mean that approximately 125,000 eligible GM salaried employees will receive a quarterly payment of \$29 at the end of August.

Business courses expanded at OCC

Due to increased demand for graduates in the business fields, the business administration department of Oakland Community College's Orchard Ridge Campus will offer an expanded program of its most popular courses during the summer session.

Courses in accounting, general business, commercial law, management, marketing, data processing, and personal finance will be included.

Guest students from universities as well as new and current OCC students are able to take advantage of the scheduled morning or evening classes. The College's open enrollment policy enables all interested persons to participate.

Registration for the summer session will be June 28 and 29. Classes will begin on June 30 and end on Aug. 17.

Further information on courses to be offered by the business department may be obtained from Professor David Adams at 476-9400, ext. 354.

Prof. Gram elected

Prof. Christine Gram of Farmington 1976 has been elected to a three-year term on the Commission on Institutes of Higher Education.

An honor graduate of the University of Michigan, Prof. Gram has been a member of the Oakland Community College faculty since 1965. She is the chairwoman of the Economics and Political Science Department.

The Commission is a body within the North Central Association charged with the emanation of policies affecting the accreditation of colleges and universities within the Midwest. Prof. Gram has served as consultant-examiner of colleges of NCAC for several years.

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