


Two graduate from Purdue

Two Farmington area students were among 3,841 students to graduate from Purdue University at the end of spring semester.

Robert Walter Bassett, of 30225 Gladstone, Farmington Hills, received a MS in electrical engineering, while Mark Kenneth Allen, of 31740

Partridge Lane, received a BS in electrical engineering.



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Mystic seven is king today

By LYNN ORR

Today is 7/7/77, and it might turn out to be the luckiest day of the year, because seven has been considered a lucky number from time immemorial. At 7 a.m. this morning and at 7 p.m. tonight, the day's magical qualities will be at their peak, portending significant happenings throughout the world.

That's what the mystics say, at any rate. Such a combination won't be around again for 11 years until 8/8/88; so those with a belief in numerology will be studying today's events carefully.

Seven has always been considered a lucky number and a symbol of completeness, representing the combination of three and four, according to the "Treasury of American Superstition."

Three, the triangle, represents the father, mother, child and the trinity; while four, the square, is the symbol of the solar system and the sun's course in the universe, according to ancient tradition.

The combination of the triangle and square represents man's complete house, which may seem to have little to do with the topic of luck. But nonetheless, the number seven has figured heavily in both Biblical and superstitious traditions.

SEVEN DAYS of the week; seven seas; seven heavens; and the seven ages of man date back to Babylonian and Egyptian tradition. The ancients totaled the known planets—Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter and Saturn—added the sun and moon, and created the seven heavenly bodies as Earth's dominion.

Biblical tradition holds the number seven in high esteem. The seven gifts of the spirits—wisdom, understanding, counsel, power or fortitude, knowledge, righteousness, and Godly fear, the seven churches of Asia and the seven-headed monster all show the belief in seven's power.

"The seventh son of the seventh son or the seventh daughter of the seventh daughter is presumed to be a child with supernatural or healing powers," says professor Ted-Larry Pebworth of the University of Michigan-Deerborn.

A Biblical scholar, professor Pebworth explains that seven's power is derived from the belief that odd numbers are considered masculine and lucky, while even numbers are considered feminine and unlucky.

"A little bit of chauvinism for you," says Pebworth. "Odd numbers cannot be divided by two; by that feminine, or even, numbers can be."

Now, however, the even numbers 12, 30 and 40 are considered sacred numbers, says Pebworth.

THE 12 TRIBES of Israel and the 12 disciples remove the unlucky reputation from that number. Thirty is considered the perfect number—it's the age at which Adam was created and the age at which Christ began his ministry, according to medieval scholars.

Number 40 has been considered a significant number since the Israelites wandered in the desert for 40 years and Christ's temptation endured 40 days.

"In ancient numerology, seven is the most powerful number, while Hebrew tradition considers three the most important number," Pebworth says.

The Book of Revelations contains many references to the number seven, including the seven seals. Manuscripts of the Gospels written during the first millennium use the number 777 to indicate the word Christ and 666 to indicate Satan, the ultimate evil, Pebworth adds.

"You never see an even-numbered candelabra in Christian churches or Hebrew Temples," Pebworth says, today's remnant of ancient tradition. The only exception is the Hebrew Chanuka lamp, which holds eight candles. But the candelabra is always lit with a ninth candle, Pebworth adds.

THE HUMAN BODY is also subject to the number seven, according to superstitious tradition. The body is said to change every seven years, marking a significant period of time for human development.

The 63rd year, the combination of seven times nine, is the most perilous time for man, say the ancients. If a person made it through the 63rd year, he was supposed to live an extremely long life.

Elliott

finishes

sub training

Navy Ensign Daniel C. Elliott, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack G. Elliott, 28873 Leaningwood, and a 1971 North Farmington High School graduate, has completed the basic officer course at the Naval Submarine School, Groton, Conn.

During the six-month course, he underwent instruction in the basic theory of construction and operation of nuclear-powered and diesel submarines, and studied all facets of submarine operation. Shipboard organization, damage control, engineering, communications, weapons and submarine safety and escape procedures were included in the course.

Elliott graduated from Michigan State University in 1973 and joined the Navy in June 1976.

Ear fashions

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Kevin Kropp receives MA

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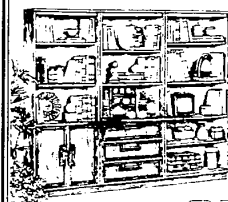
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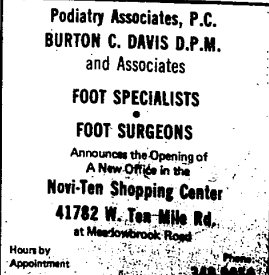
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