

The Nail File

Accent on beautiful hands

By LORRAINE McCLISH

Cindy Guenther, who estimates she has a combination of 50 years of cosmetology experience among members of her family, is now manager of The Nail File, Farmington's only manicuring studio that does nail wrapping.

"I'm here every day except Thursday," she says from her studio in Suite 203, at 2582 Orchard Lake Road. Thursday is the day she is hostess of the Michigan Lottery on TV's Channel 4.

The former model, teacher of models, and one-time Miss Michigan World is giving up her modeling career to zero in on the new family-owned business that opened about two months ago. She works with her mother, Jean Guenther, a former beautician and owner of Artisticrafts Studio in Dearborn and her aunt, Pat Hibbard, who handles the business end of things.

"My mother handles the beautyful side of things," she said.

The staff is rounded out with Christine Sitto of Birmingham and Beverly Bailey of West Bloomfield. They specialize in giving paper and liquid nail wraps, apply sculptured nails, give oil manicures, facials, pedicures, and apply eye lashes.

The salon is now building up a nail bank for nail transplants, and if the owner of long and shapely nails has one that breaks off, Miss Guenther says "Save it, and we'll transplant it for you."

MISS GUENTHER says she was "born with the worst nails in the world," so she has always been self-conscious of her hands, and learned early how to take care of splits and chips on her nails.

Styles on spring 'Carousel'

Carousel of Fashion is the theme of the 20th annual benefit dinner fashion show scheduled at 6 p.m. Thursday, March 17, by the Philoptochos society of Sts. Constantine & Helen Greek Orthodox Church.

The show will be held in Vladimir's Restaurant on Grand River in Farmington Hills, with dinner served at 7 p.m. Following cocktails, the styles will be presented by Maria Dinon of Grosse Pointe and musical background will be by Panchito.

Women of the church, at 4801 Oakman in Detroit, and has members throughout the metropolitan area, will do the modeling.

Proceeds will go to several charities regularly helped by the philanthropic group, the name of which translates to "friend of the poor."

Reservations for the event may be made by calling the church office, 834-5671.

She advocates wearing polish as a protector, using a pencil eraser for dialing a telephone, using knuckles to manipulate light switches, using tweezers to pick up small items. Wearing rubber gloves for cleaning jobs is mandatory.

"Once you have nice nails, you're hooked," she says, "you won't be able to give them up."

Mrs. Hibbard, who doubled as decorator for the attractive yellow, white and green studio, says her clientele "looks forward to their appointments because it's a place where they are pampered and a place where they can relax."

She and her sister opened the salon after becoming aware of how many women were interested in having beautiful hands and nails which dovetailed into the growing jewelry market accenting the hands.

Although the sisters' mini survey was confined to women, the studio has taken on a surprisingly large male clientele, mainly for manicures and pedicures.

PAPER NAIL wraps take about 90 minutes where a fiber paper is applied over the nails and underneath the free edge, providing protection for your natural nails. The liquid nail wrap is the application of an acrylic base liquid over the nails and under the free edge.

à la mode



Nail wraps provide protection for your natural nails, and last from two to three weeks.



Making beautiful hands and nails is the specialty of Beverly Bailey (at left) who applies her craft to the hands of Cindy Guenther, manager of The Nail File, Farmington's only beauty studio that offers nail wrapping. (Staff photos by Harry Mauthe)

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By JUDY SOLOMON

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Bagel and Brunch, 6088 W. Maple, W. Bloomfield, 851-9666.

Sitting pretty

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Picture perfect

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Allen Rubiner Gallery, 621 S. Washington, Royal Oak, 344-2638.

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