

China painters set show, sale

By LORRAINE McCLELLAH
The 30 members of the China Decorators Guild, who meet regularly in Farmington's First United Methodist Church, will travel to Royal Oak for their spring show and sale May 5.

The show of hand-painted china will run from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. in St. John Episcopal Church, 115 South Woodward, at Eleven Mile.

Dolores Petachenko, a teacher of the art of china painting and a long-time member of the guild, will be demonstrating how to paint white roses during show hours. She is one of several who will be demonstrating their skills.

All of the demonstrators will have up to four and five pieces of a kind on display, showing the multiple steps of painting and firing that is required to complete a finished work.

Items on sale will run from relatively inexpensive pieces of jewelry to extremely intricate lamp shades.

"There is always a big variety, both utilitarian and decorative," Mrs. Petachenko said, "because of the varied interests of our members."

WHAT STARTED as a hobby for the Farmington woman has now taken on the proportions of a job as she answers requests for commissioned pieces.

"We get regular customers," she said. "Most of us have a following of customers who want to see what we've done since they've seen us last. It's amazing how far some will travel for one of our shows," she said.

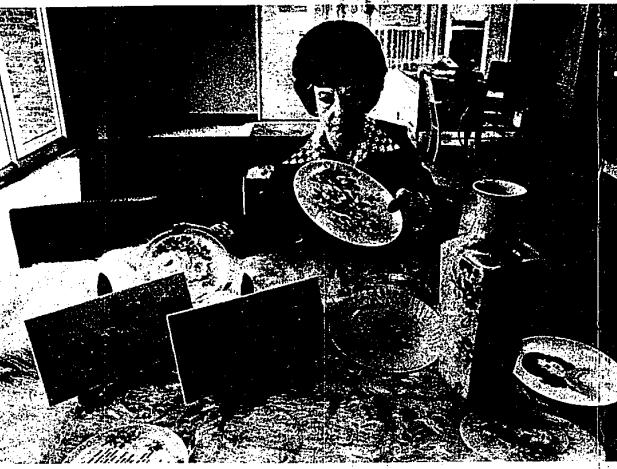
Kristine Kustron vies in teenager pageant

Kristine Kustron, the 15-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Orchard Lake, Farmington Hills, has been selected as a finalist in the 1978 Michigan National Teenager Pageant. The pageant will be held in Pease Auditorium, Eastern Michigan University on May 13.

She will be spending the pageant weekend at Hoy Conference Center at EMU.

State finalists are selected on the basis of their scholastic records, community involvement, school and/or church activities, poise, personality and appearance.

Miss Kustron has participated as a Red Cross junior volunteer and holds the second highest number of volunteer hours of service in one summer.



Dolores Petachenko shows some of the china painted pieces she will have on display during the China Decorators Guild spring show. The large vase, in foreground, will be one of five pieces created by members to be given away in a raffle. (Staff photo by Harry Mauthe)



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Self-defense for disabled

"Self defense for the handicapped" will be the topic of the Michigan chapter of the Arthritis Foundation's monthly session at 7 p.m. May 8, at St. David's Episcopal Church, Twelve-Mile and Evergreen, Southfield.

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