



A country store and all the accoutrements that go along with it is part of the charm in making miniatures. (Staff photo by Randy Borst)

Miniatures concentrate on details

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ally great finds and sell the remainder of her stock.

If their store is a dream come true for them, it's a step in that direction for some miniaturists.

Miniatures afford hobbyists the chance to finally move into their dream home.

Kits are available for Victorian gingerbread house, old-fashioned farm homes and modern tri-levels.

IF THE URGE to remodel strikes the small-home owners there are kits to accommodate almost any decorating

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Garages add on to homes. There are kits for wrap around Victorian porches, towers as well as east and west wings.

Price tags for the homes range around \$150 and up depending on the size and complexity of the home.

And when the construction job is finished, the new homeowner can indulge in the joys of decorating.

Cozy Victorian parlors, tiny Chip-pendale pieces and Shaker furniture are available. Canopy beds, old-fashioned bathroom fixtures and Maytag wringers are on the market too.

Before the furniture goes in, there's miniature wall-to-wall carpeting to lay. Wall papering a miniature house takes all the patience required of the same task in a full scale room.

Patterns are scaled down to fit the rooms. Prospective customers can

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Delongchamp joins air force

David S. Delongchamp, 17, has enlisted in the United States Air Force.

Delongchamp is a 1979 graduate of Harrison High School in Farmington. He is the son of Mrs. Alice Delongchamp of Farmington Hills.

Upon graduation from six weeks' basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, he will receive technical training in the electronics aptitude area and be assigned to an Air Force duty station.

LIT lauds students

Four Farmington area students were named to the Lawrence Institute of Technology dean's honor roll for the spring term.

They are James Eckel and Mark Steinmeyer, electrical engineering students from Farmington; and Victor Saroki, an architecture major, and Diane Young, a business administration major both from Farmington Hills.



Named to staff

Christine Pacini of Farmington Hills has been named an instructor in the nursing department of Detroit's Mercy College. Mrs. Pacini was a staff nurse and head nurse at Mount Carmel Mercy Hospital in Detroit for the past five years. She is a graduate of Mercy College and Wayne State University.



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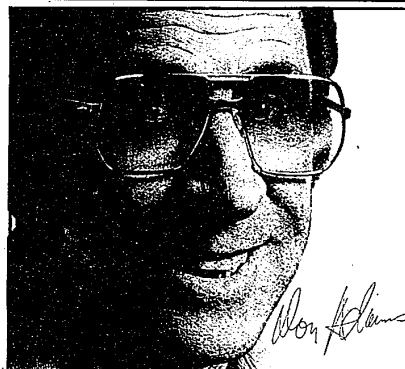
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