



Down to earth

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Experience helps

We are lucky to have master gardeners in our area who have graduated from the course given by the Cooperative Extension Service. This program began in the state of Washington and now five counties in southern Michigan offer classes. Those who graduate assist Oakland County horticulturist Greg Patchan to help gardeners.

Students who take the course learn about house plants, vegetables, fruit crops, animal control, landscaping, trees, shrubs, and lawn care. This up-to-date instruction is an great way for men and women to learn more about gardening.

Many of you are ready to put in a vegetable garden for the first time. You can overcome a lot of hassles if you follow these hints:

- Have a well-drained location with plenty of sunlight and available water.

- Avoid stagnant air by not establishing your site in a low, humid spot. (Or-

New juror appointed

The Farmington Artists Club has appointed a new juror, Jan Steven Rosebaum, to judge its spring show and sale, set for April 27-29 in Mercy Center.

Rosebaum is an instructor at Wayne State University and a staff photographer for the Pontiac-Waterford Times, the Oxford-Orion Times and the Rochester Times. He earned his bachelor of fine arts degree at Wayne State University, and his master of fine arts degree in photography at Cranbrook Academy of Art.

Art submitted for the juried gallery in the show is traditionally judged for acceptance about a week before the show opens to the public.

gisms like, humidity and an oversupply of nutrients can burn the roots.)

- Test your soil thoroughly.

We have new introductions listed in your garden catalogue as disease resistant. Another way of improving things is to treat all of your seeds before planting with Captan or Fungam. Directions will be on the container. By treating seeds with these mixes, you can avoid infection.

One of Winston Churchill's great joys in his garden was attracting butterflies. He even imported cocoons. Among the flowers he grew rich in nectar is the shrub buddleia, known as the butterfly bush. The other plants he used to attract butterflies with were sweet violets, marigolds, candy tuft, ageratum, phlox, daisies, mums, asters, yarrow and white clover.

Why don't you gardeners out there set yourselves a goal this season. It could be upgrading the rear entrance to your home with plants. Another might be to develop more privacy in your

garden or plan a bird sanctuary. What about designing a quiet corner where you can go with the morning paper and enjoy a cup of coffee.

Here are some tips I have gleaned from being "about."

EVERY GARDENER SHOULD HAVE GARDEN GLOVES. A woman should be proud of her hands. As for the men, they, too, have to look sharp with well-groomed

hands. You can hang your gloves on a rat-trap which you may have nailed up in the garage. Then you will always know where the gloves are.

If you are planting a tree, place the heavily branched side to the wind. If wind isn't a problem, plant the best side of the tree to the northeast so that the underdeveloped side will be favored with extra light.

National Asthma Center needs volunteer canvassers

Volunteers are urgently needed for the fifth annual March for Breath, the door-to-door fund raising campaign for the National Asthma Center to be held throughout the metropolitan Detroit area May 1-31.

The center is located in Denver, Colo., and it treats children from all over the U.S. as well as foreign countries. They are accepted for residential treatment solely on the basis of medical necessity, without regard

to ability to pay. Funds raised through the annual March for Breath are used to support this treatment and for ongoing research programs and training of professionals in the special care of asthma. These programs and training benefits the medical and scientific community.

Those interested in volunteering may contact Florence Rose, Detroit area coordinator at 382-7800.

Reunion

Oakland County residents who graduated from Detroit Southeastern High School in 1959 or '60: Take note. Your 20th class reunion is being organized now.

If you're interested in taking part in the planning, or just interested in attending, give Carolyn Darby a call, pronto, at 886-1725.

Dear Customers,

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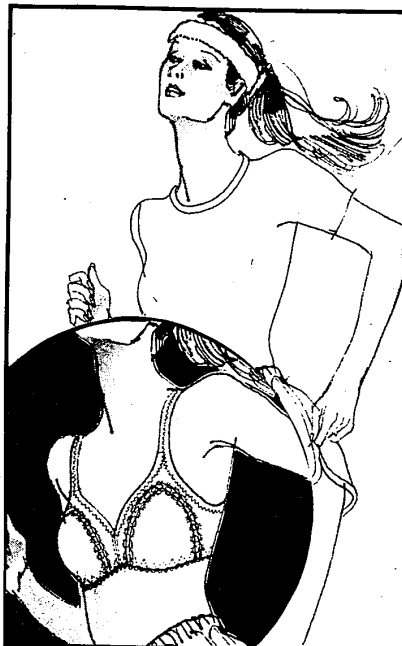
Senior Girl Scout Troop 362 sponsor a spectacular spring craft show from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 5, in North Farmington High School's main cafeteria, on 13 Mile and Farmington Roads.

The troop is the largest senior troop in Southern Oakland Girl Scout Council, which will use the proceeds from its

fund-raiser to help finance a trip to a Girl Scout Council out of the state.

All of the crafts in the show were made by scouts and are for sale. Babysitters and lunch will be available during show time for a small fee.

The girls in the troop come from Farmington, Farmington Hills, Novi and Southfield, and are 9th-12th graders.



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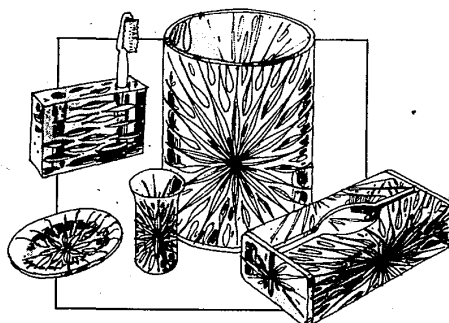
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