



the fashion plate

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Pearls enhance a woman's beauty, especially when mixed with a gold chain.

## Beauty from the sea

If oysters hadn't been blessed with the ability to create pearls, somebody probably would have invented them. For there is no other jewel that enhances a woman's beauty more than a pearl — except perhaps when the pearls are mixed with the gleam of a 14K gold chain.

Award winning jewelry designer Marcus Spoutz of the Gold Anvil in Franklin Village has been paying a lot of attention to pearls lately. "One merely has to take a look at what women are buying and wearing to know that pearls are surfacing as the top jewelry trend of the '80s," he said.

Spoutz has taken the sculptured beauty of the Biwa pearl and created a pearl slide necklace. "Fashion pairing of gold and pearls usually tends to add a certain tailored touch to the mixture," said Spoutz. "But, creating a slide necklace enables the woman to wear the piece with a formal gown as

well as with jeans and a sweater," he said.

He combines 16 or more Biwa pearls created to slide on a 14K high-polish bar chain which may vary in length from 20-30 inches. Some of his slide necklaces also include gold pieces molded in an irregular pearl shape with some of the gold pearls paved with diamonds.

Spoutz prefers to use Biwa pearls because of the high luster and unique shape. He explained that fresh-water pearls from Lake Biwa in Japan are the only pearls which can correctly be called, "Biwa pearls."

ALTHOUGH fresh-water pearls were previously available only from Lake Biwa in Japan and from United States, fresh-water pearls are now being imported from the Chinese mainland. "It is known," said Spoutz, "that the

Chinese first cultivated fresh-water pearls in the 13th Century, though it remained for the Japanese to perfect the method of cultivating perfectly round pearls from living oysters."

Fresh-water pearls are not the products of oysters but are cultivated in several varieties of clam-like mollusks, producing pearls in many shapes and colors.

Classic, round, cultured pearls are a product of the saltwater oceans and are cultivated mainly in Japan in the Inland Sea areas. The saltwater pearl is grown in carefully inoculated and nurtured oysters.

On the practical side, pearls require considerable care. "They must be kept from excessive heat and perspiration," cautioned Spoutz. "Direct contact with face powder, hair spray, perfume or skin oils must be avoided. And constant contact with hard rough textured fabrics and other jewelry may damage the delicate outer surface of your pearls," he said.

## class reunions

### PLYMOUTH HIGH 1970

The Plymouth High School class of 1970 will hold a 10-year reunion at 7 p.m. June 7 in the Plymouth Hilton on Northville Road, Plymouth. To make reservations, call Tom Williams at 455-8351 or Sharon Ramage at 427-2722.

### GARDEN CITY EAST 1955

The Garden City East High School class of 1955 is inviting the school's graduates of 1953 through 1959 to attend its reunion scheduled for 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. June 28 in the Knights of Columbus Hall, 30579 Ford Road, Garden City.

Tickets are \$17.50 per person and include dinner, dancing, beer and setups. Reservations should be made with Donna (Bennett) Ponte, 427-0533.

### DEARBORN FORDSON 1960

The class that graduated from Fordson High School in 1960 will hold its 20-year reunion at 7 p.m. May 17 in the Italian-American Hall, 5100 Oakman, Dearborn. To make reservations, call Jeanette Beasley-Hill, 336-4588, or Eugene Swis, 563-9170.

### ROYAL OAK KIMBALL 1960

A 20-year reunion for the Royal Oak Kimball High School class of 1960 will be held at 7 p.m. June 27 at the Red R in Golf and Country Club.

Tickets are \$22 per person. Those interested in attending or having knowledge of the whereabouts of classmates should call Margaret (Hurley) Forier, 541-6876, or Melissa (Hocking) Wilson, 642-2278.

### PONTIAC CENTRAL 1955

The 25-year reunion for graduates of the Pontiac Central High School class of 1955 will be held June 28 in the Pontiac Silverdome. Reservations may be made with Jane Grover, 334-3315, or Barb Ward, 682-1323.

### DETROIT SALESIAN 1960

A 20-year reunion is planned for Sept. 20 for graduates of Detroit Salesian High School. Information is available from Ed Gilleran, 842-1301, or Larry Seebuck, 455-4826.

### NORTH FARMINGTON 1970

The North Farmington High School class of 1970 will hold its 10-year reunion Sept. 13 at Fairlane Manor. Information is available from Pat Simons, 651-3423.

### DETROIT MACKENZIE 1940

Mackenzie High School classes of January and June 1940 are planning a reunion in September. Those who can help the committee in its search for classmates may call Helen White Ward, 348-0348, Joyce Lindall Sage, 477-6993, or Barbara Clerhew Kitchen, 646-7587.

### DETROIT MACKENZIE

The class of 1960 at Mackenzie High School is planning a 20-year reunion. Those interested in attending may call Nancy Ramsey Hobley, 363-3885.

### DETROIT SOUTHWESTERN 1946

The Southwestern High School classes of January and June 1946 are planning a 35-year reunion. For information, call William Osen at 357-5015 or Mary Lou Borch at 422-8146.

### FARMINGTON 1960

The Farmington High School class of 1960 will hold its 20-year reunion Sept. 13 in the Farmington Elks Lodge, 23856 Orchard Lake Road. Reservations must be made by June 1 and will be taken by Jennine Boswell Palizzi, 626-1654.

## Sierra Club slates 'Alaska to Africa'

Sierra Club members and guests will experience the thrills of canoeing down the Yukon and backpacking up the Chilkoot Pass via the slides of Barbara Sorenson.

Ms. Sorenson's slide show will be a

feature of the 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 22 meeting at the Northwest Unitarian Universalist Church, 23925 Northwest Highway in Southfield.

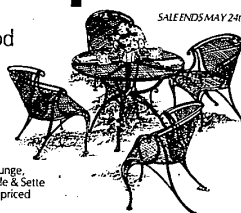
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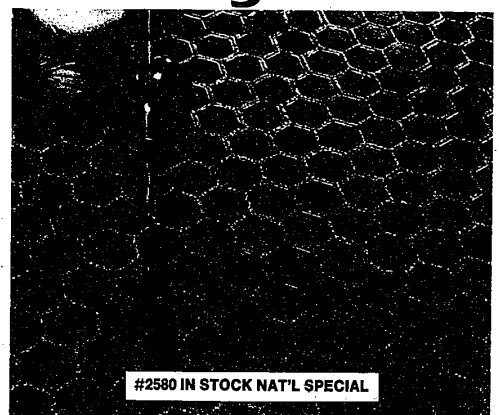
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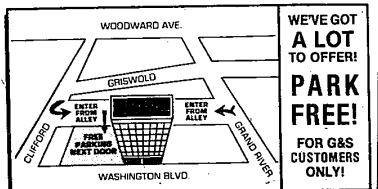


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