



wine

Richard Watson

Names can confuse more than clarify

One of the persisting confusions in the world of wines (and with good reason) centers on the various members of the Pinot Noir family.

There are, at latest estimate, more than 100 clones of this grape, many of them bearing wine in both France and California. In this country, especially, there appears to be a great deal of confusion about which variety belongs to which country.

Without going into too much detail here, the bottom line among California wine drinkers is that when you buy a bottle of wine from this family of grapes, it may legally carry either the name Pinot Noir or Gamay Beaujolais.

The parentage is that close (and the laws that lax). Sometimes, the wine will taste more like a Beaujolais, sometimes more like a Burgundy, but the label carries the name of the winemaker chosen.

Differences between styles may be attributed, of course, to viticulture methods, growing conditions, blending, any number of things, but the biological relationship can't be denied.

The origins in time of this confusion followed both phylloxera, the louse that almost destroyed vineyards in both France and California 70-90 years ago, and Prohibition when mass cuttings of "Pinot Noir" were shipped to America from the various regions of Burgundy.

SOME WERE OF THAT clone, as it turned out. Many others were



Hammer-Sharp

Reinhold and Veronica Hammer of Novi announce the engagement of their daughter Anita Angela to Gregory Edward Sharp of Berkley, son of Eugene and Janet Sharp of Farmington Hills.

The bride-to-be is a 1975 graduate of South Lyon High School. She is employed as a cashier for the A&P Supermarket in Novi.

Her fiancé is a 1973 graduate of North Farmington High School. He is a masonry contractor and is planning a Sept. 14 wedding in Antioch Lutheran Church.



Flaherty-Halub

Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Flaherty of Farmington announce the engagement of their daughter Martha Ann to Kevin M. Halub, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Halub of Bay City.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Albion College and Mercy College of Detroit where she earned a degree as a physician's assistant. Her fiancé is a graduate of Saginaw Valley State College and is attending Marquette University School of Dentistry in Milwaukee, Wis.

A July 1981 wedding is planned.

Busy traveler picks up on garden tips

It pays to have your columnist leave the city limits because she comes home teeming with ideas.



down to earth

Alice Burlingame

DURING THE exploring-America trip, I stopped at Chautauqua, N.Y., and enjoyed this famous institution which is more than 100 years old. It's on Lake Chautauqua, which is 20 miles long. There is something for everybody, more than 200 courses are given during the summer in art, music, public events and drama. Second and third generations of families return here every year.

There are lectures morning, noon and night. You do what you please. There is excellent boating, swimming and golf nearby. Different ages of young people have their own club house with experienced leaders. They even plan their afternoon programs so you can get a nap after lunch. The town has Victorian homes where rooms can be rented or there are apartments and hotels. The "Magic Flute" was given my first night there. The guest list resembles the Blue Book of America.

If you have found white fly either inside or out you can control the population by hanging up, close by, a board painted yellow, or a strip of yellow art paper. Paint the surface with motor oil and the white fly will be attracted to the yellow and the oil will stick them to the surface. You might have to renew the oil frequently, but it is easy.

While at the Royal Botanic Gardens I saw an eye catcher, make note and consider it for your garden in 1981. It was a dwarf beauty, salmon color phlox drummondii and at the back of the flower bed was a double row of dark blue phlox, which is higher than the phlox drummondii.

This is a good time to ride around town and see the garden color as well as tree and shrub placement to note for use on your property next year.

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