

MacLennan-Choka

David Scott MacLennan of Mayfield Street, Livonia, and Wendy Lynn Choka of South Lyon were recently married in Ward Presbyterian Church in Livonia, and honeymooned in Florida. They are now living in Wixom.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Choka of South Lyon. The parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Donald MacLennan of Peppercorn Street, Farmington Hills.

The bride wore an ivory gown with a Queen Anne neckline, and trimmed with Venetian lace. Her bouquet was of ivory snow crystals with red Maryland roses and English ivy in a semi-cascade.

Crystal Brigham was maid of honor. Attendants were Julie Kirby, Jennifer Choka, and Kristen and Michele Harrison. Bruce MacLennan was best man and attendants were Mark MacLennan and Mark, David and Scott Choka.

The bride graduated from South Lyon High School in 1979, and will graduate in 1984 from GMI Engineering and Management Institute with a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering. She is employed at the GM Milford Proving Grounds by Chevrolet Engineering Center.



The bridegroom graduated in 1978 from North Farmington High School and from the GMI Engineering and Management Institute in 1983 with a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering. He works as an associate manufacturing engineer at Chevrolet-Livonia.

Museum staff seeks decorating help

Residents who have tree ornaments, children's toys or any kind of decoration that would fit in with a Victorian Christmas theme, are asked to consider giving the items as a donation to Farmington Historical Museum.

Volunteers for the museum have started decorating the mansion-turned-museum now for open house Wednesday, Dec. 7. Theme for the open house will be "A Victorian Christmas."

"Anything that qualifies as an antique, or even old, we will fit in," said

Margaret Walker, chairman of the museum committee.

"There must be plenty of stories here with things that are stored away people can't use, but still don't want to throw out. A gift to the museum would be insurance for them that those pieces would be carefully kept and used; brought out every Christmas to be exhibited for every one to enjoy," Walker said.

Tax credits for gifts to the museum will be given on request. Walker will take calls at 476-6349.



retirement memos

Margaret Miller

We sort pictures

We've always been a picture-taking family, but not particularly a picture-organizing one.

It's a fact of life that is beginning to haunt us in retirement. We've begun to change our ways, but the process is far from complete.

We have pictures from every vacation, most Christmas, many birthdays. We have pictures of assorted stages in each daughter's growing up. Now we have numerous pictures of our granddaughter. We also have quantities of inherited family pictures, portraits and snapshots of assorted relatives, many now gone.

We've tended to keep them in their photo-store envelopes, which makes them pretty hard to locate as the envelopes pile up.

My husband Joe and I changed homes in Michigan twice in recent years and then made the big move to Florida. On all three moves we toiled along huge cartons of family pictures. "We don't really want all of these," he would point out. "But we don't have time to sort them," I would counter.

IN THE LAST move we did one smart thing, picture-wise. We had our home movies and many of our slides transferred to video tapes. We logged them during some of the first evenings in our retirement home, and now we can watch them on the video tape recorder. It's a lot easier than getting out screen and projector, and it's a process we would recommend to others.

But the problem of what to do with all those printed photos is a long way from being solved.

We made a start. We dug into the big boxes and sorted into smaller boxes. We sorted according to decades it was the only classification we could think of.

Looking carefully, we were able in most cases to determine which blonde baby was which daughter and which dolls being hugged and clothes being modeled went with which Christmas.

We even tossed a few duplicates. But I found that through such a painful process that mostly we just moved things around.

So now we have two drawers full of shoeboxes, each representing an era and each much too full of photos. We also have a big box of extras we're saving for daughters' visits. It's labeled "Help Yourself!" and if they do it will save the pain of throwing out those fascinating mementos.

SOMEDAY WE might work up to albums like the lovely ones relatives and friends have shown us.

For the moment, though, more or less organized boxes is a big step forward. Maybe it's enough for just a year of retirement.

Margaret Miller was Suburban Life editor for Observer Newspapers for 18 years. She and her husband Joe have retired to Florida, where she writes Retirement Memos.



Crowton-Morelli

Debra Marie Crowton of Walled Lake and Mark Angello Morelli of Farmington Hills announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Clarenceville High School and Schoolcraft College, employed as a legal assistant. Her fiancé is a graduate of Harrison High School and a student at Detroit Engineering Institute.

A 1994 wedding is planned.

Moran-Phillips

Mr. and Mrs. Newton Phillips of Farmington Hills announce the marriage of their daughter Mary Jane to

Timothy Moran, son of the late Judge Francis Moran of Syracuse, N.Y. The couple are residing in Syracuse.

Bob Jones speaks Dec. 4-7

Dr. Bob Jones, a controversial figure in the field of religion and education, will be the guest speaker in First Baptist Church of Wixom, Dec. 4-7. Services will be at 9:45 a.m., 10:45 a.m. and 8:30 p.m. Sunday, and will begin at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in the church at 620 North Wixom Road.

Jones has been chancellor of Bob Jones University in Greenville, S.C., since 1971. He is an outspoken foe of the National and World Council of Churches, and is chairman of the World Congress of Fundamentalists.

A nursery will be provided for children during all of the services.

Pianists and violinist continue Vivace Series

Birmingham Temple presents Leszek Bartkiewicz, pianist, accompanied by Borivoj Martinec-Jercic, violinist, and William Shapiro, duo-pianist, for its second Vivace Concert in the series at 7:30 p.m. Sunday. The temple is located at 58611 12 Mile. Tickets are \$7, or \$6 for students and seniors at the door.

Highlights of the evening will be Sergei Prokofiev's Piano Concerto 1 in D Flat Major, with Shapiro performing orchestra accompaniment on a second piano. The program also includes Seven Bagatelles by Beethoven and Liszt's Etude Transcendental in F Minor as

solos for Bartkiewicz.

The two pianists will join the violinist for Beethoven's Sonata No. 7 in C Minor and Fritz Kreisler's Tambourin Chinois.

Bartkiewicz, a 27-year-old classical pianist from Poland, has won many piano competitions in Europe. He is currently earning a doctoral degree in the performing arts at University of Michigan.

Martinec-Jercic, a Yugoslav emigre, has studied with major Soviet violinists David Oistrakh and Leonid Kogan. Shapiro has studied with piano luminaries Gary Graffman and Gyorgy Sandor.

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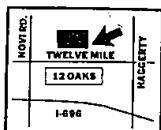
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