

Spotlight on Women

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"Don't come back to see me after the concert," my music camper told me when we went to pick her up at the end of a two-week session.

"I'll meet you back at the cabin."

I understood the why of her request. Like a lot of her contemporaries, she was wearing that it's-the-last-day-of-camp-and-how-can-I-possibly-bear-to-leave-look.

So we listened to a beautiful concert played by some 200 of the best high school musicians in the state. And afterwards, we honored our clarinetist's wish and waited for her by the cabin.

Like other families, we packed up and drove off only after several tearful farewells.

The whole bittersweet scene reminded me a bit of my own camping days when leaving was almost impossible to bear. But among these young instrumentalists, the feeling seemed even stronger than I remember.

Probably the shared love of music as well as happy days bind them closer together.

But also I remember a conversation with a music camp counselor reported to me by a friend.

"I always used to cry the last day of band camp," the counselor said. "I know now it was because every year I had a boy friend, and every year after the first I knew I'd never see him again."

-Margaret Miller



JEAN DINAN wants to make sure she gets a ticket to Farmington's Town Hall Series this winter, so she bought it from Stella DiCicco, a Sopranoist (left). Tickets are available at the Farmington Community Center or by sending a check for \$10 to Box 504 Farmington. The series includes talks by designer Vera Maxwell, Mrs. Angier Biddle Duke, author Peter Meas and Alaskan photographer, Don Cooper. (Evert photo)

Prefer Mini Or Midi? Here's A Chance To Vote

Are you sold yet on the new midi look being pushed for fall in the fashion magazines?

Or are you one of those women determined that nothing will make you give up the freedom of short skirts?

Perhaps your taste runs to something in between -- like the Continental look, with skirts just below the knee.

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Immunization Clinics Set Up

Free rubella immunization clinics for all children entering kindergarten this fall will be offered by the Wayne County Department of Health in two area locations.

Immunization now is required by law.

On Wednesday, July 22, the clinic will be at the Redford Township Police Station, 25833 Elmwood, and on Wednesday, Aug. 12, the clinic will be at Allen School, 1100 Haggerty Rd. in Plymouth. The clinics will be open from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Westland, Wayne and Garden City residents can take their children to Wayne County General Hospital at Merriman and Michigan Ave. for free immunization all summer from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday.

Another free immunization clinic will be opened for all children one through 15 years of age through the Wayne County Department of Health. It will be held on the fourth Wednesday of every month.

EMU Plans Alumnae Programs

A program of activities designed especially for women graduates is being developed by the Alumni Office of Eastern Michigan University at Ypsilanti.

Initial events have been planned for women living within a radius of thirty miles from the University but the scope of the program will be broadened later, if it catches hold, said Bonnie L. Bowsman, assistant director of alumni relations.

First on the schedule is a golf outing beginning at 9 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 20, at Hickory Woods, Ypsilanti. Luncheon at 12:30 p.m. at the Fireside Lounge will follow.

On Sept. 10 and 17, EMU athletic director F. L. (Frosty) Ferrazza will present a football seminar for women in the Tower Room of McKenny Union. The meetings will begin at 7 p.m.

A tour and seminar on furniture has been scheduled for 7 p.m., Oct. 12, at the Holland House Village in Ann Arbor.

What has been designated as a "Wig Boutique Seminar" will be presented at The Egg and I in Dearborn at 7 p.m., Nov. 3.

Reservations and further information may be obtained from Miss Bowsman at the Alumni Office.

For New Livonian Herbs Are Tops

The Queen of England and Mrs. Joann Wimmer of Livonia have something in common--both swear by cannomile.

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II has been quoted as saying it's regular drinking of tea made from this herb that accounts for the lovely complexion of the women in her family.

Mrs. Wimmer, who grows her own cannomile and other herbs, doesn't stop there.

She says cannomile also can be used for washing, and she credits drinking the tea with helping cure her asthma.

Cannomile, which grows with tiny white flowers, is just one of the many herbs in the garden Mrs. Wimmer has been cultivating since moving to 2445 Whitcomb, Livonia, from Detroit last spring.

"My mother used to grow herbs," Mrs. Wimmer says, "and I've had them in the garden for years."

She and her husband, Jack, made the move to Livonia because both wanted more garden space. Wimmer is a member of the Northland Garden Club and has 30 varieties of flowers in the garden beds.

His wife specializes in herbs, but is a little concerned that the plants are not at their best this year after the move.

"I lost the rosemary," she said. "That's very hard to grow because it's delicate--you have to bring it in when the weather gets cold."

But though the garden may contain no rosemary, there are plenty of other interesting plants.

To make tea, she has plenty of choices besides cannomile. There's the Biblical herb costmary and lemon thyme and lemon balm. Or she can use wormwood, which has a slightly bitter taste, or rose or woodrow. There's also comfrey, from which she uses both the leaves and the root to make tea.

Mrs. Wimmer's tea is brewed with either fresh or dried herbs.

"You use five or six flowers to a cup of tea," she said, "and use boiling water. Then it should stand at least five minutes."

Besides the herbs for tea, Mrs. Wimmer grows the kind that go with meat or salads. Her summer salads are tasty with garlic and garlic chives as well as New Zealand spinach and spearmint.

You can also find the familiar sage and thyme and dill that are great for dressings and meat loaf.

The spice chest that hangs in Mrs. Wimmer's kitchen is full of home grown herbs.

To dry them, she washes the sprigs thoroughly and spreads them out on cheesecloth until all the water is gone. Then she hangs bunches of herbs from the ceiling until they have dried out completely.

The leaves and flowers then are stored in jars.

Mrs. Wimmer recently joined the Livonia Garden Club and also enjoys collecting buttons when she's not hoeing in the herb garden.



LADY WITH HOE--Unusual herbs grow plentifully in Mrs. Joann Wimmer's garden. (Observer photo)

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