

Don't be afraid to make adjustments in garden

By Marge Alpern
special writer

One doesn't "plant" a garden; one "develops" a garden.

Every season brings environmental changes that necessitate readaptation by all the plants in the garden.

The gardener must be sensitive to these changes in order to help the plants not just to survive but to thrive. Frequently this means transplanting. In the fall as well as in the spring, there are opportunities to make these adjustments and thus "develop" a garden.

The loss of two large elm trees last summer created a whole new environment for an old well-established rhodo-

dendron bed in our yard.

During the winter strong winds and bright sunshine damaged these shrubs rather severely even though I had protected them with the anti-desiccant, Wilt-Pruf.

Although the plants bloomed, they have since dropped many leaves, and I doubt if they would survive if subjected to this unfavorable location again this winter.

FORTUNATELY, rhododendron, like most of the broad-leaved evergreen, have a very shallow root system and are easy to move. With the cold nights and the fall rains they soon will root and re-establish in a more protected, northerly position that I have

selected for them.

Isn't it hard to believe that the tragedy of the dying elms still has not been solved?

Last summer I noticed that the so-called "shade loving" impatiens and begonias weren't really performing very well. The overhead oak trees had become so large and so dense that insufficient sun was getting through.

This summer I replaced the familiar begonia and impatiens hanging baskets with stunning and colorful baskets of caladium, whose leaves give a continuous display of color and are satisfactory in shade.

I added several plants of trailing vines to soften the sharp edges of the white plastic baskets and this cre-

ated a fluffier, softer and less static appearance.

Oak-leaved hydrangea (hydrangea quercifolia) is really a magnificent deciduous shrub for deep shade. The six foot plant blooms in late summer and throughout the fall. It produces showy, cone-shaped clusters of flowers, which change from white to soft rose and are beautiful when dried.

Last spring my oak-leaved hydrangea sent up many new side shoots which I dug up and replanted in the least desirable growing space in the entire yard.

Deep shade, packed soil, little water, and no attention are hardly favorable conditions for any plant and yet every sprout rooted and is doing very well.

I'm delighted to recommend this tough and desirable shrub.

CIMICIFUGA racemosa, despite its unattractive common name of "Black Snakeroot," is really a most handsome perennial. The five foot, graceful, feathery spikes of showy white flowers bloom in August in the deepest shade in the garden.

This is neither the time nor the place one expects to have bloom, and so cimicifuga is a welcome addition to the shade garden. I must mention, however, that this plant does have one definite requirement — patience. I waited three years for the cimicifuga to bloom, but perhaps that only added to my pleasure in them.

Another shade plant I've enjoyed

very much this year is corydalis lutea. Corydalis is an adaptable, almost indestructible species, which grows about nine inches high. The bright yellow flowers resemble bleeding heart with similar maidenhair-like foliage, and they bloom constantly from May through September.

There are other corydalis in pink and purple, but I have not found them as sturdy or floriferous as lutea, the yellow variety. I'm surprised this plant is not used more extensively.

Corydalis lutea can be ordered from Daystar Nursery, R.F.D. 2, Litchfield, Me. 04350 for \$2 each. Order just a few because after two years, you'll have plenty to share with your friends, and that's half the fun of gardening.

Chamber Players open Orchestra Hall season

The inaugural season of the Renaissance City Chamber Players 40-concert series at Orchestra Hall, Detroit, will continue at 8 p.m. Saturday. The 10-member group was formed by Misha Rachlevsky following an extensive audition process conducted throughout the North-American continent.

On Saturday, audience members will also be invited to provide the title for the Divertimento composed by Dr. James Hartway to honor the Renaissance City Chamber Players.

Deliberately left untitled, the Divertimento was commissioned by Renaissance Concerts with the support of the Michigan Foundation for the Arts and dedicated by Hartway to Rachlevsky and the Renaissance City Chamber Players with "good wishes and high hopes."

Audience members will be able to submit title ideas on forms included with the program, and the author of the winning title will be invited to join composer Hartway and Rachlevsky at

a celebration dinner at the Golden Mushroom restaurant.

The Renaissance City Chamber Players will open with Telemann's Suite, "Don Quichotte der Lowenritter." Based on the work by the Spanish novelist Cervantes, the suite is written in traditional French patterns. Telemann presents a musically graphic portrait of the variegated spectacle of Spanish life that Cervantes created on paper.

The second score of the program will be the Divertimento in D Major, K. 136, by Mozart. Usually designated for so-

cial occasions, this Divertimento opens with a dashing allegro, in which the two upper parts are stressed. An expressive andante follows, and the final movement concludes with a lively presto.

Bartok's Suite, "For Children," is a simple, yet charming composition with an attractive style derived from his extensive research of Hungarian, Slovakian and Romanian folk music.

Following the premiere of the United Divertimento by Hartway, the Ren-

naissance City Chamber Players will perform Tchaikovsky's Serenade in C for Strings, Opus 46. This luxurious and expressive serenade is almost dance-like in concept and contains one of Tchaikovsky's most beloved waltzes in the second movement.

Advance tickets for the Renaissance City Chamber Players Concerts, priced at \$5, \$7.50 and \$10, are available by phone order at 626-8742 or may be purchased at Orchestra Hall's Box Office on the day of the concert. Subscriptions

Apple sponsors computer graphics prize

Would you jump at the chance to display your high-tech artistry and win up to \$5,000 for your efforts?

Macworld magazine and Apple Computer are giving artists and would-be artists that chance by sponsoring a Macintosh computer art contest. The competition is open to anyone who submits original artwork created on the Macintosh using Apple's MACPAINT program.

Each month, beginning in the December issue, five judges on a panel will select what they consider the best submission per issue, and two runners-up. The first-prize winner will receive \$500, and the runners-up will receive \$250 each.

Each first prize winner also has a chance to win a grand prize of \$5,000 in the annual competition.

Runners-up in the annual competition will receive \$250 each. The first grand prize winner will be announced in the November 1985 issue of Macworld.

Anyone interested in entering the contest should write to Macworld Gallery, 555 De Haro St., San Francisco, Calif. 94107, or call (415) 861-3861 for details.

WE'VE GOT A LITTLE LIST...

North Park Place has no apartments to rent at the moment. But smart people are putting their names on a waiting list. Shouldn't you come out and see why?

2 and 3 bedroom luxury apartments in Southfield from \$535. Phone: 559-4588

NORTH PARK PLACE
Managed by Sullivan Smith, Inc.

come home to...

7th Overture
...the power of many models available for \$125,000.

Three Oaks
of Farmington Hills

12 3/4% FIXED RATE
30 YEAR MORTGAGES with 20% Down

Farmington Hills Schools

3-4 Bedroom Ranches & Colonials Available from \$118,500

selective homes

RICHTER construction company

2251 VILLAGE - TWO BEDROOMS 12 mile-Lester. Immediate possession on this magnificent 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath ranch. Casual drive, family room with fireplace. Excellent floor plan. Main floor laundry, many extras. Beautifully decorated in neutral tones. Seller serious. Priced to sell immediately. Excellent L.C. Terms.

3050 WOODCOTE - BIRMINGHAM SCHOOLS Desirable North Cranbrook area features this 3 bedroom Tri. 2 1/2 baths, possible fourth bedroom or library, family room, fireplace. Immediate possession. Only \$73,900 A TERRIFIC BUY IN TODAY'S MARKET.

4900 BUTTERNUT - BIRMINGHAM SCHOOLS Excellent condition with many new features on this 3 or 4 bedroom Tri. Newly remodeled kitchen includes top-line appliances with 3 year service warranty. Large family room, fireplace, central air, newer carpet, alarm system. All this plus terrific assumable mortgage. JUST REDUCED FOR IMMEDIATE SALE. (call a broker)

2703 SELKIRK N. OF 14 MILE Spacious 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 bath colonial. Family room, attached garage. Finished recreation room with wet bar. Top-top condition. Only \$68,500.

BY APPOINTMENT

BEACON SQUARE - TERRIFIC ASSUMABLE MORTGAGE on this 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath colonial. New almond Formica kitchen with built-in microwave and Jenn-Air. Family room with fireplace. Immediate possession. \$74,900. Assume mortgage. \$58.19 per month. Seller will consider second mortgage. MUST ACT FAST. OWNER MOVING.

CHANDLER VILLAGE Owner accepting this immaculate 3 bedroom Tri on wooded lot backing to stream. Remodeled kitchen, open floor plan, contemporary decor. A real gem! YOU WON'T SEE THIS ONE AGAIN. Asking \$50.10. Quick occupancy.

"LATHRUP AT ITS BEST"

FOR FAMILY and entertaining! Spacious, immaculate. Master bedroom suite, central air, 2 fireplaces, heated, in-ground pool, patio. Much More! \$130,000. 559-2300.

HUNTERS POINTE

WHY BUILD? This 4 bed old home is priced below duplication cost in sub of new construction. Custom homes, pond and park for residents. Wood deck enhances the enjoyment of your private yard. 4 bedrooms, library and family room. \$189,900. 851-1900.

Lathrup Village

Mary Ann Grawl-Mgr.

559-2300

Westland

Laura Cantin, Mgr.

326-2000

Livonia

Barbara Walkowicz-Mgr.

525-0990

Farmington

Jim Stevens-Mgr.

851-1111

LUXURY HOME

CENTRAL air, finished basement, family room overlooking patio, spacious kitchen/dinette area, formal dining room, fabulous decor, 3 bedrooms, connecting bath, extra storage space, spacious foyer to welcome you. \$88,900. 559-2300.

EARLY AMERICAN PARADISE

IN THE heart of downtown Farmington, History and charm abound. 2 staircases, 2 fireplaces and wood stove, 4 bedrooms, family room with beamed ceiling, large front porch. Many extras. \$139,900. 477-1111.

NOVI

PROFESSIONALLY decorated brick ranch with 3 bedrooms, 2 baths in excellent condition. All window treatments and appliances stay. Many extras. \$57,400. 348-6430.

SHARP, spacious Tri-Level with 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, large family room. Fenced backyard with patio. Family sub with sidewalks. \$69,900. 348-6430.

FARMINGTON LOCATION 2 bedroom ranch, attached garage with door opener, newer roof, furnace, water heater. Downward to patio with private yard. Franklin stove in living room. \$81,000. 477-1111.

FARMINGTON HILLS

SHARP contemporary ranch tastefully remodeled and decorated. Kitchen completely redone. Treed lot with nice landscaping. \$68,500. 851-1900.

SIMPLE ASSUMPTION. Clean and neatly kept 3 bedroom brick home with library on large lot. Eat-in kitchen, formal dining room and Florida room. Owner transferred. Immediate occupancy. \$84,900. 477-1111.

ALL BRICK HOME! Freshly painted all brick 3 bedroom home. This comfortable home features a full basement, ceramic bath and lovely yard. \$45,000. 477-1111.

YOUNG EXECUTIVES! Unique one bedroom condo, top level, nicely decorated. Seller will deal, help with financing. Lease delayed closing. All kitchen appliances included in the \$51,500. 477-1111.

GOthic RENAISSANCE

CUSTOM new construction! Rubblewood Subdivision Gate House. Four large bedrooms, 2 full, 2 half baths, great room, library with wet bar, formal dining room, large impressive entry and much more. \$279,500. 851-1900.

QUALITY THROUGHOUT

SPACIOUS custom built and superbly maintained Tri-Level. Tastefully decorated in neutral tones. Many custom built-ins. For fastest buyers. \$84,500. 851-1900.

Farmington Hills

Genny Conrad-Mgr.

851-1900

Livonia

Jerry Pocklask, Mgr.

261-0700

Plymouth/Canton

Joe Melnik-Mgr.

455-7000

Northville

Sharon Serra-Mgr.

348-6430

WATERFRONT DOLL HOUSE

FOUR BEDROOM, 2 full bath home with fireplace great room. 100 foot frontage on Lower Stratia Lake. Owner transferred. All appliances. \$89,500. 851-1900.

ONE OWNER RANCH

WESTBROOK. Well maintained 3 bedroom. Outside trim painted recently. Roof a few years old. Carpet and appliances included. Spacious recreation room. Motivated seller. Living in Florida. \$75,900. 851-1900.

FARMINGTON HILLS

SPECTACULAR family room overlooking treed lot. 3 bedroom brick ranch, carpeted thru-out, 2 fireplaces, rec room, patio and gas grill. Land Contract terms. \$85,900. 477-1111.

RECENTLY REDUCED large 4 bedroom colonial with library and side entrance garage. Country kitchen with bow window. Move in condition. Immediate occupancy. \$113,500. 477-1111.

HIGH-ON-A-HILL. Colonial with 4 bedrooms, den. Florida room with cathedral ceiling. This former model boasts a large deck with a spectacular view of the treed rear yard. \$135,900. 477-1111.

OUR COMPANY GREED

Every single day we make Americans happy and satisfied through our personal services. It is our belief that we must earn your trust and confidence through extra effort. Our growth and very existence depend upon your satisfaction. We are not just selling real estate. We are determined to help you achieve a quality of life tailored to meet your individual needs and desires. Our commitment is to make your real estate dreams a reality. Every day, we earn America's trust.

Real Estate One, INC.

REALTORS

Michigan's Largest Real Estate Company