



Models Kathy Keller (at left) and Kim Galasso helped ring in the season showing creative looks designed especially for the holidays in Fairlane Town Center's "Holiday Celebration." The tone-

are Farmington Hills residents and both are members of the shopping center's Fashion Panel. Kathy wears updated sweatering for casual outings. Kim is in large floral prints and paisley teen teans.

Dear Mr. Green:

My curiosity has been aroused. I am not well versed in this subject having read only one book, but your sentence "Graphology is indeed a wonderful tool for helping one better understand herself" has me writing to you.

I am a 42-year-old woman who has taken on the status of "super mom." I am a wife, a mother, and assistant head cashier at a grocery chain who puts in 45 to 60 hours a week outside the home. Now let me tell you, this schedule definitely requires a better understanding of oneself. I am so totally right-handed that I am still looking for a purpose for my left hand besides keeping my jaw warm.

E.D.
Canton

Dear E.D.:

By nature, you are a highly emotional woman, one who is ruled by feeling as opposed to judgment. Empathy is another strong trait in your makeup and has you feeling both with and for others. I can almost visualize you crying at a sad movie.

You are flexible and like relationships that are amiable. Still there is a bit of the rebel in you, which has a way of getting you involved in arguing, es-

 graphology
**Lorene
Green**

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pecially on the emotional level.

I can see you in the role of "super mom." The positive combination of discipline and persistence is invaluable in realizing your goals. And you are willing to assume responsibility, and can organize your time and energy to get things done. All of this has a way of enhancing your feelings of self-esteem. Still, it does not happen without frustration. You may find yourself struggling against some very tried feelings or possible depression.

There is someone on the scene who is telling you that you are attempting to accomplish too much? It seems quite possible you are hearing too hard to hear a message you do not wish to hear.

Some procrastination in your handwriting tells me there are things

you must let slide or leave undone in order to handle the things you find most important to you. Even "super mom" can't do it all, right?

While you are sensitive to personal criticism and also self-conscious in some areas, other people are probably not aware of this. You tend to compensate with your nice sense of humor, which is found in the little smiling mouth & dots. This humor also provides spice and savor for personal and social relations and restores perspective to your life.

You have been exposed to some of the finer things life has to offer and are also interested in self betterment.

If you would like to have your handwriting analyzed through this newspaper, write to: Lorene C. Green, a certified graphologist, in care of this newspaper. Please use a full sheet of white, unlined paper writing in the first person singular. Age, handedness and signature are all important. Objective feedback is always welcome.

In our own way, Joe and I celebrated Thanksgiving early this year. Our time of extra thankfulness came in September when we were beginning our car trip north from our Florida retirement home.

We recently had spent several hundred dollars on maintenance for our car. We weren't complaining; that goes with the territory in our system of buying good used cars, keeping them in reasonable repair and driving them as long as they will run.

But after that expenditure we were a little upset when the old buggy started heating up at the end of the first day of driving. We figured it was the hot weather and the fact that the air conditioning had been going full tilt all day.

THE SECOND DAY, though, we didn't use the air conditioning, and in the early afternoon the car REALLY heated up. We had to pull off I-75 to wait on a small side road in Alabama while the radiator boiled over.

While standing by and reassessing our situation, we were given our first reason to give thanks. A car with several local residents passed us, then turned around and came back to see if we needed help. The driver was a mechanic, but he didn't have his tools with him. However, he agreed with Joe that our thermostat probably was the reason for our woes, and he told us where to find a service station.

As soon as the car was cool enough to limp, we pushed on to Bird Walker's small business establishment on a

dusty corner in Garden City, Ala. Bird and his brother apparently do a lot of the town's auto repair, and we soon understood why.

WHILE WE WAITED in the only shady seats the place afforded and enjoyed the company of a beautiful red setter, the brothers looked the car over and allowed as how it was probably the thermostat. After they got the car cooled down enough to check, they found they didn't have the right kind of thermostat on hand. The brother drove off to get one. Six miles, he said.

He brought it back, and soon they had it installed. What did we owe them? The bill handed Joe was for \$11.25. We couldn't believe it; we would cheerfully have paid \$50 or more.

The thermostat has functioned perfectly ever since, and after we go home Joe wrote Bird a letter to report this fact and thank him for the fine service.

And this week I find myself hoping that the Messrs. Walker enjoy whatever bird they are served for Thanksgiving dinner. I know that whenever we carve our own turkey the thanks we express will include a nod toward Garden City, Ala., and the kind of people our country's founders would have been proud to know.

Margaret Miller was Suburban Life editor for the Observer Newspapers for 16 years. She and her husband Joe have retired to Florida where she writes Retirement Memos.

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