

## Showcase of color

### Foral designers salute Botsford's birthday

The spirit of celebration bubbles in bright flower and plant designs throughout the Botsford Inn. Fourteen area floral designers are saluting the 150th birthday of Michigan's oldest lodging facility.

Swags of spruce embellished with flowers, fruit and ribbons; a nativity cathedral enshrined in white carnations; and a grape vine tree graced with white berries, rose-colored grapes and flowers are only a few of the artists' creations adorning the helms of previous owners, Henry and Clara Ford.

"The holidays have always been ushered in by a festive yuletide spirit at the Inn," said John Anbut, Inn-

keeper since 1951. "People call us to find out when the decorations come out and how long they will remain for the public to enjoy. But, this year, we are just swelling with pride to think these area businesses have honored us with their talents."

The decorators were organized by Margaret Walker, retired director of the Farmington Historical Museum and an executive member of the Inn's Sesquicentennial Anniversary Planning Committee.

THE INNKEEPER expressed admiration with Mrs. Walker's efforts. "She has spent days and days arranging this beautiful showcase of color. And not only do our guests

find this warm and welcoming, but everyone who works here enjoys the cheerful atmosphere they've created for us."

Thirteen celebration events have brought visitors to the Inn from the state and outside the state as well.

On Thursday, Dec. 11, from 2:30-4:30 p.m., the Inn will host a Holiday Open House - the final activity commemorating 150 years of history and hospitality. Costumed docents will guide visitors through the rooms of festooned antiques. Refreshments will be available.

Guests will also have an opportunity to meet the floral designers and

inquire about ideas and techniques used in their displays.

Participating florists are:

- Country Flowers and Gifts, Farmington Center Florist, McFarlands Florists and Greenhouses, Michele Mare's Flowers and Co., Springbrook Gardens, The Flower Barn, all of Farmington.

- Happiness Is Flowers 'n' Gifts, The Little Flower Shop, Male Flowers, Schroeters Flowers and Gifts, all of Farmington Hills.

- French's Flowers and Gifts, Irish Rose Flowers and Gifts, Village Green Florist, all of Livonia.

- McClure's Flowers and Gifts, all of Detroit.

## Youth shown in rounded letters

Dear Ms. Green:

I have just discovered your interesting column! How fascinating! I am very curious to see what you have to say about me. I never knew that our handwriting reflected our individual personality. By the way, I am left-handed. What can you tell me about my handwriting? Thanks.

J.K. - West Bloomfield

Dear J.K.:

Many are the things I can tell you about your personality from your handwriting. And while you do not mention your age, I am inclined to think you are a rather young woman due, in part, to your rounded letter formations. This style is most often used by young people.

Outwardly you appear poised and in control. You are a rather private person who is careful not to reveal much of your inner life. Neither do you make snap decisions. Preference is for taking time to consider how the matter will affect you personally.

Although you are independent in many areas, you remain emotionally dependent on family support.

When you wrote to me there was



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Lorene Green

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some lack of fulfillment in your life. And you were also tired or a bit down. (Some lower loops do not return to the baseline and many lines of writing have a downward slope to them.)

Unpleasantness is distasteful to

you. So you seek to avoid it whenever possible. You are loyal to your friends as well as to the things in which you believe.

Acceptance and approval from others has a high priority. And you can come on strong and/or dramatic

to make an impression on those around you.

PERSISTENCE is noted in your tied t bars. You are not one to give up easily once you get involved. In your work you are methodical, organized and orderly. And you do not like to be rushed as you strive for perfection.

Currently you are not involved in long-range goals. Your area of most interest is in the affairs of day-to-day living.

Observant by nature, little escapes your watchful eyes. You are aware of details and probably have retentive memory.

Some creativity is found in this handwriting. You can probably work well with your hands. Art is one possibility. Literary aptitude is also suggested.

Readers may have their handwriting analyzed by Lorene C. Green, a certified graphologist. Write to her at 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, 48150. Please use a full sheet of white, unlined paper, writing in the first person singular. Age, handedness and signature are all helpful. And objective feedback is always welcome.



RAYMOND BOST/Staff photographer

### Toys for Tots

photo-photo, designated as a drop-off point for the U.S. Marine Corp. sponsored "Toys for Tots," adds some holiday fun to the annual event. Annett Swindell, store manager for the shop in Downtown Farmington Shopping Center, gives a free photo with Santa in return for those who donate a toy for a needy tot. The receptacle for new unwrapped toys remains until Dec. 22. Free photo coupons are cashed in from noon to 4 p.m. Saturdays, Dec. 13 and 20.

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