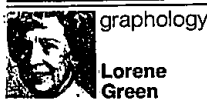


Picky pen pickers write neatly

Dear Ms. Green:
I am right-handed and always write with the same fine point pen until it runs out of ink or is lost. Fine tip markers are my favorite.
So, aside from handwriting itself, does having a favorite writing instrument say anything else about an individual's personality?

E.V.,
Westland
Dear E.V.:
People who are as neat and careful about their handwriting as you often have a pen preference. They want one that will produce the desired effect. In your particular case it is the fine-tip pen that gives the neat look you seek.
You are a young woman who has an innate eye for aesthetics. Your home would be neat and orderly with a place for everything and everything in its place. Personal appear-



Lorene Green

ance would have the well-groomed look.
You are highly disciplined. You feel duty bound to get things done. The old cliché, "Business before pleasure," was instilled in early life.

WORK IS done carefully, methodically and systematically. You dislike being rushed or having plans interrupted. You are dependable and others have learned they can count on you to give your best efforts. In all things you strive for perfection. In your daily life you are well or-

ganized. You do not take on more than you can handle. Yours is a strong need to be in control. And you do certain things in certain ways, always aware of how others view your actions and attitudes.

Your memory is retentive. You are observant and have an awareness for details.

You have been exposed to some of the finer things in life. This in turn has a bearing on your selection of friends, books you read, leisure activities, etc.

Your goals seem to be set rather low, not commensurate with abilities. Your life may not be presenting enough challenge at this particular time.

There is a certain loyalty about

you. This includes loyalty to what you believe in as well as to your friends.

Marginal spacing suggests that you have moved away from the past but are somewhat reluctant to continue into the future. Perhaps you are feeling apprehensive about something.

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

I am right handed and always write with the same fine point pen. It runs out of ink or is lost. Trainers are my favorite color.

Mother turns fugitive

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Child psychologist Martha Schlossberg said that after an hour with the boy, during which he climbed on her lap to confide details so appalling that it was painful to continue holding him, she also contacted Children's Protective Services.

"If this kid was making this up, and was being coached by his mother, his story would fall apart in five minutes," Schlossberg said. "This kid has been crying out for help for a year, and we, all of us, have failed him."

Said Pam, "Until he told the therapist I did not know what had been going on. I was in shock. My son came up to me and told me 'Daddy told me not to tell you because it's a secret.'"

Whether it was the appearance of a second report or the urgency of Schlossberg's concern, Protective Services assigned another caseworker to investigate the allegations of abuse and neglect.

In turn his findings were reported to the Sterling Heights police. Numerous interviews with the boy, conducted by therapist Schlossberg, a Protective Services caseworker and a police investigator, contained almost identical information.

Speaking without his mother present the little boy told the investigating adults, "My Daddy puts his finger in my butt." His stepmother, the little boy said, "beats me up."

BY NOW, Pam said, what had taken place was becoming too clear: addition to information derived from investigative reports and psychological evaluations the child was acting unnaturally at home.

"He would get out of the bath and say to me, 'Hey Mom, do you want me to hump you?'"

In June the child's grandparents told investigating officers that during a weekend visit the child, while preparing for a bath, exposed himself and said, "Nanny, kiss my penis."

Therapist Schlossberg bristled while describing the response to Pam's efforts to gain legal protection for her son.

"He has told his story to three separate people in kid-appropriate language, and it's essentially the same."

Schlossberg said that despite the child's testimony and corroborating testimonies by herself, the Protective Services caseworker, a police investigator and the presence of medical evidence and photographs, the Wayne County Circuit Judge rescinded a previous restraining order and ordered the child's mother to turn the child over to his father for a 10-day unsupervised holiday trip.

"He said the presence of the stepmother would guarantee the child's safety," said Pam's attorney, Candace Ewing.

"This whole custody issue is a giant mess," contends Schlossberg. "It's placed in the hands of inexperienced judges. What makes them think they are experts in the field of child abuse? Granted there are vindictive mothers, but when there are indications that something is happening let's err on the side of caution."

ON THE afternoon of the judge's ruling ordering her to surrender the child to his father the distraught mother returned to her parents' home where the small boy burst into tears at the news.

"He got a look of fear, and we cried," she recalls. That evening, following a call from her attorney, Pam gathered some clothes and they ran.

Although she will not say where she and her son spent the weekend, Pam recalls it was peaceful there. While they hid, she said, Ewing prepared an appeal for the state Court of Appeals in Lansing and her former husband's attorney asked the judge to sign a warrant for her arrest for noncompliance of visitation.

"What was I supposed to do?" Pam asks. "I can't go to work. My son can't go to school. I'm supposed to provide for this child but I can't go to work!"

Pausing momentarily to regain her composure, Pam said quietly, "I believe my child. He's only 3½, but I believe him. I will do anything to protect my child."

NOW, THREE months later, Pam and her son exist in an uncomfortable limbo. For the moment Pam said she feels safe because the state appeals court has agreed that there was sufficient indication of an emergency to institute a stay on the Circuit Court order pending further investigation.

In the meantime, Pam's attorney said she will attempt to have the case assigned to Oakland County where the mother and child live.

"Our whole point is that there is a reasonable suspicion that something happened," the attorney said.

Schlossberg agrees, saying, "I have patients now who, 20, 30, 40 years later, are trying to work out a childhood molestation. All that should matter is the welfare of the child. Never mind that the father can't visit the kid, or the mother is vindictive. All that matters is the welfare of the child."

"I don't give a damn what the courts want or the parents want. We can't let these kids fall through the cracks!"

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Young cheerleaders bring home the ribbons

The varsity, junior varsity and pony squads of Farmington Rocket Cheerleaders have all won ribbons and awards in late fall competitions.

The varsity squad captured a second place for its performance of an original cheer when it was hosted at a clinic sponsored by the cheerleaders at Bishop Borgess High School.

That same day the junior and pony squads competed at the Mid-American Pom Pom Clinic in Annapolis High School in Dearborn. The juniors took the second place trophy in the dance-jazz category, and later were awarded the first-place ribbon for their presentation of a new routine.

The pony squad, made up of fourth and fifth graders, took a second place trophy in the prop and novelty routine division and a second place in the speed-learning category. The squad, made up of the youngest of the competitors, is coached by Sharon and Chris Lee.

Members of the varsity squad are Stephanie Bedkan, Carrie Dean, Katie Kirsten, Kara Kurtz, Misty Mecklenborg, Kerry Murphy, Sherri Robinson, Natalie Waskowski, Jodie Tobie, Nadine Roznowski, Krista Watson and Sheri Yitlato. They are coached by Dawn Roznowski.

Members of the junior varsity are Jill Barringer, Jenny Brockhaus, Susan Calder, Kristy Cornwell, Jenny DuBois, Allisa Koval, Wendy Leland, Amy Murphy, and Lisa Tomie. Their captain is Teri Krascoe and Theresa Kuclo.

Members of the pony squad are Shannon Graul, Becky Peans, Kimmie Pearce, Kristy Pearce, Amy Tobie, Ericka Schekine, Cassidy Westbrook and Kelly Worger. Sharon Lee retires this year after four seasons of directing and coaching the three cheerleading squads. The new director will announce tryouts for the 1989 season early in June.

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