

Dean strives to meet life's challenges

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grade education, and I can honestly say that among all of the people I have ever known who have doctorates on top of doctorates, she is the smartest woman I have ever met."

Nichols has had his works published regularly in professional journals since entering the academic world, but the piece he is most proud of speaks out his personal feelings and attitudes from the time he learned he had cancer, and

was given, he said, his "pronouncement of death."

It is a message of hope, which can be summed up in Nichols' belief that happiness is a choice, one of many choices that can be made when one is facing a challenge. He does not advocate that one "go around fooling himself with a veneer of positive thinking that you are never going to die."

The article lists the five stages

one goes through when faced with death and dying, set down by Elizabeth Kubler-Ross. First is denying this could be so. Then comes anger that it might be so. After that, comes bargaining, maybe with God or your doctor. Then deep depression. The final stage is acceptance.

"I THOUGHT I knew this man called Don Nichols," he said. "But I was surprised with what I found out about him. I am not an angry man, but I was angry. I am not giv-

ing to depression, but I was depressed. It was only when I recognized these stages I was going through, and faced them head-on, when I was able to reach the (final) stage of acceptance. After that, I could cope. I made the choice to be happy. Sometimes, it is amusing to me to see the results of that — to see how contagious optimism can be to those around me."

Don Nichols met his wife, Alice, when the two attended Farmington

High School. After graduation from Western Michigan University, both returned to the area to teach in the Farmington Public Schools.

The couple raised their two children in Farmington. Kevin, 23, is graphics editor for the Jackson Citizen Patriot. Tim, 21, is a student at Oakland Community College.

Nichols singles out his work as a lay minister at Redford Baptist Church as "the most important

spiritual element in my life. It's where the hopefulness comes from," he said.

He describes himself as "a health fanatic," with an exercise regimen that includes playing basketball and jogging.

"It gives me vitality. It is energizing," he said of his daily jogging. "It triggers the natural elements in the body that cause exhilaration. It's a natural stimulant, a shot of adrenalin."

Request for injunction to reopen Oriental health spa denied

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they should amend the lawsuit," Police Chief William Dwyer said.

Shinn, seeking an unspecified amount in damages, is asking the federal court to declare the city's massage regulation ordinance unconstitutional.

A special city council hearing was scheduled after Shinn applied for a license last April and the request was denied in September by Reynolds.

The clerk's denial followed recommendations by the city's police, building and zoning officials, who testified against approval of the license at the special hearing.

"We determined that the character, reputation, moral integrity and operation of the Tokyo health spa... is adverse to the public health, safety, morals and general welfare of Farmington Hills," Dwyer said in a statement at the special council hearing.

Colorado ski trip set

Campus Life, a non-denominational, non-profit youth organization, is sponsoring a Colorado ski trip during the Christmas holidays.

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The Tokyo Oriental Health Spa, 28841 Orchard Lake, was one of five spas raided by the city in October 1985 following a six-week investigation of residents' complaints that sex-related offenses were occurring at the storefront spas.

Three of the 17 Asian-born employees arrested during the raids were from the Tokyo spa. All arrested have either pleaded no contest to lesser charges or been convicted of soliciting-related charges, police said.

Although Shinn was not at the Tokyo spa when the arrests were made, she was the owner and manager of the spa and, as such, was responsible, according to Beckerleg.

SHINN WAS also not at her Southfield spa Dec. 11 when police arrest-

ed two employees on charges of accosting and soliciting. The employees' arraignment is scheduled for Dec. 29 in 46th District Court in Southfield.

Shinn's suit alleges that the city's ordinance "is under guise of regulation, an arbitrary interference with a private business by the imposition of unreasonable and unnecessary restrictions..."

The suit also alleges that the city knew the ordinance's restrictions "were arbitrary, capricious, unreasonable and, in some cases, impossible to meet."

Under the Hills ordinance, non-exempt businesses providing body massages must comply with business license and operating permit provisions and operation and inspection fees.

The ordinance also addresses the layout of the business where massages will be provided, the need for the business to meet certain health-related provisions, and the type of apparel massage therapists must wear.

The Tokyo spa was shut down by the city for four days last March on the day the massage ordinance took effect. It was reopened after meet-

ings between city attorney Paul Bibeau and spa attorneys and has operated without a license since that time.

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