

Kaye-Sennett

Patricia Kowalewski of Boston, N.Y., announces the engagement of her daughter, Lynda A. Kaye, to William J. Sennett, son of Mrs. Angelina English of Inkster and Cecil Sennett of Farmington Hills.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Depew High School, Depew, N.Y., and is a journeyman carpenter. Her fiancé is a graduate of Kennedy High School in Taylor and is a journeyman ironworker.

A June wedding is planned.



club circuit

ENDOMETRIOSIS ASSOCIATION's support group for women who suffer from the malady meets at 7 tonight in Classroom D, 10th floor, William Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak. Inquiries about the association, its monthly meetings or the support group, are taken by Sharon Husted, 839-7476.

WOMEN OF NORTH FARMINGTON have scheduled their fourth annual Mother-Daughter Banquet for 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 22, in Farmington Elks Club, 23666 Orchard Lake Road.

Reservations are taken until April 19 by Beth Rice, 363-2737. Fee is \$11 for mothers and \$7 for daughters.



retirement memos

Margaret Miller

We see D.C.: It's a capital trip idea

THE RETIREMENT game plan Joe and I have more or less mapped out includes a number of we-must-be-sure-to-visit mecca. We checked one off last month by being strictly tourists in Washington — D.C., that is.

Joe's only encounter with the nation's capital came in the hours just before shipping out to fight in Europe in World War II. I'd had two weekend-long tastes.

So we located a hotel near the Watergate buildings, skipped the car rental and the tour buses and spent five days walking and riding subway trains and buses through a lot of history and the places where it's made.

UP FRONT we decided not to go through the White House or to the top of the Washington Monument. I'd done both earlier, and there were many experiences Joe wanted that didn't require standing in long lines.

But we reveled in exploring the Smithsonian — the National Gallery of Art where a special Henri Matisse exhibit had furnished a major reason for Washington in March, the Air and Space Museum, the sculptures of the Hirshhorn Museum, the Oriental art and works of James Whistler at the Freer Gallery, the panorama of displays at the Museum of American History.

We went to the Capitol and the Supreme Court and the Library of Congress and the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. We were appropriately awed by the towering Lincoln Memorial and the beautifully simple Vietnam Memorial nearby, and we took a cold, windy walk across the Mall to a new appreciation of our na-

tion's third president at the Jefferson Memorial.

WE WALKED around the White House and over to the Ford Theater where Abraham Lincoln was killed and the house across the street where he died. We took a bus to the National Cathedral and walked back through Georgetown's Saturday morning bustle.

We explored the Kennedy Center and saw Richard Thomas in "Citizen Tom Paine," figuring we couldn't have picked a better spot for a great new drama.

AND MUCH to our amazement and amusement, we found ourselves giving all sorts of directions. On our first walk down Virginia, we hauled out our map and told a young man how to get to New Hampshire on his bike. We directed a taxi to the Kennedy Center and the Metro stations. A Washington cabbie even asked Joe if the White House was open Sunday morning.

The most enjoyable direction-giving, though, came in a surprise encounter with Livonians Ralph and Ruth Silver. We were leaving the Capitol when they asked us about tours there, and the next thing we all knew Ruth had recognized her fellow-tourist as the writer who fills this space in her hometown paper each week.

We hope they enjoyed their visit to the Capitol — and the capital — as much as we did. And we suspect they, like us, want to go back.

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

BEREAVED PARENTS SUPPORT GROUP meets at 8 p.m. Monday, April 20, in Newmann House, Schoolcraft College Campus, 37300 Haggerty, Livonia. Raymond and Gloria Collins will take calls for information or assistance, at 348-1857.

FARMINGTON GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 21, in Farmington Branch Library, State and Liberty Street.

Guest speaker for the evening is Barbara Madison, past president of Michigan Genealogical Council and former director of Federation of Genealogical Societies. Her talk is called "Arm Chair Research: Learn to Do Your Research Without Leaving Home."

During an informal session knowledgeable members will assist those with questions. Helpful books will be available. Participants will also be able to get information on the Sesquicentennial Certificates that are being made available by the state for descendants of those pioneers who lived in Michigan prior to 1837 when it became a state. Guests are welcome. No charge.

FARMINGTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY meets at 8 p.m. Wednesday, April 22, in Farmington Branch Library, State and Liberty Street.

Guest speaker is Ralph Wikom. His talk is called "The Wikom Family and the Universalist-Unitarian Church of Farmington."

The meeting is open to guests. No charge.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED PERSONS, Farmington Hills Chapter, meet at 1 p.m. Friday, April 24, in Farmington Hills Branch Library, 12 Mile Road east of Farmington Road.

A slide show about China called "On Top of the World" will be narrated travelogue-style by Kay Briggs.

The event is open to all persons over the age of 55, whether retired or not.

OAKLAND COUNTY YOUNG REPUBLICANS Political Action Committee meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday, April 20, in Jackson's, 12 Mile and Main Street, Royal Oak. Guest speaker for the evening is Pat Wierzbicki, political director of Oakland County GOP.

All club news and announcements for this column are to be addressed to: Club Circuit, Farmington Observer, 33203 Grand River, Farmington 48024. The information must arrive before noon on the Monday before Thursday publication.



Petrella-Bailo

Mr. and Mrs. Augusto Maria Petrella of Farmington Hills announce the engagement of their daughter Rosaria Lee to Craig Alan Bailo, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bailo of South Lyon.

The bride-to-be has a degree in business administration from Madonna College and is employed with Electronic Data Systems in Southfield. Her fiancé has a degree in finance and management from Western Michigan University and is employed as a sales representative with Paychex in Indianapolis, Ind.

A July wedding is planned in Mercy Chapel, Farmington Hills.

Seabolt-Kehus

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas O. Seabolt of Farmington Hills announce the engagement of their daughter Marcela Jeanne to Jim Victor Kehus, son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Kehus of

Farmington Hills. The bride-to-be is a senior at Michigan State University. Her fiancé is an electrician apprentice. An August wedding is planned.

In-home respite offered

Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Association (ADRDA), Detroit Area Chapter has developed an in-home respite program for families who have a member afflicted with Alzheimer's disease or another irreversible dementia. The program is servicing Wayne, Oakland and St. Clair Counties.

Families are allowed a designated number of service hours each week. Services are available between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday, and from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday.

Volunteers donate their time for this service. They are provided extensive training by highly skilled professional people. Volunteers are

also reimbursed for mileage during the training and also for mileage traveled to and from placement sites. A small monetary donation will be paid to each volunteer trainee to cover minor expenses of being trained.

A volunteer is expected to be a companion to a person afflicted with Alzheimer's disease or other irreversible dementia; provide simple recreational activities such as reading and listening to music; and provide several hours of relief time each month for family caregivers.

People interested in becoming a volunteer are asked to call 557-8278 for the next training session.

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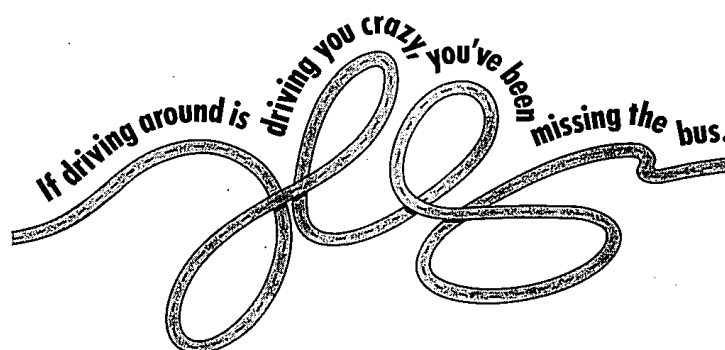
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