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Seminar to show how to install brick walkways

A hands-on seminar for do-it-yourselfers interested in learning how to install decorative brick walkways is being offered by Soulliere Decorative Stone Inc. from noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15, at the company office, 4452 Twenty-two Mile Road, Ulster.

There is no charge for the seminar. A small walkway will be installed from start to finish, showing the homeowner how to approach each step. Literature and material lists will be available. For more information, call 739-0920.

Fingerprints to protect roses

ROSE leaves can be "fingerprinted" so that each of the thousands of rose plant varieties may be specifically identified. This will protect patents for the \$44 million annual rose industry.

"For the first time, we can now accurately distinguish one rose variety from another," said Charles R. Krause, U.S. Department of Agriculture plant pathologist. Heretofore, the only way to identify varieties was to rely on a specialist's opinion. Krause magnified a rose leaf 10,000 to 20,000 times with a scanning electron microscope that projects onto a screen an electronic image that can be photographed. The highly magnified image shows that openings in the leaf, called stomata, have different shapes depending on plant variety.

The seven-year research fingerprinting project at the USDA Nursery Crops Laboratory at Delaware, Ohio, should aid in patent application and patent infringement law suits, Krause said.

MOTORCYCLISTS, often portrayed as damaging terrain, have volunteered to help maintain trails and do other conservation work in the National Forest Service system.

The American Motorcyclist Association, which has 20 million members, has signed an agreement with the Forest Service — the first nationwide pact made as part of the "Take Pride in America" program.

Forest Service chief F. Dale Robertson said he hoped the agreement would encourage millions of trail-bikers to help enhance the more than 15,000 miles of trail that are open to motorized vehicles in national forests. Motorcyclists interested should contact area National Forest Service offices.

The "Take Pride in America" program promotes the stewardship of the nation's natural resources and encourages safe and proper land use.

weeder's guide

Earl Aronson

SCIENTISTS ARE fermenting good molds so that they multiply, putting them in powders, sprays or pellets and returning them to the soil to attack disease molds that can jeopardize farm and garden harvests.

George Papavizas, a plant pathologist at the U.S. Department of Agriculture, has been identifying beneficial molds in the "soil war." He says crops succumb to some 50 kinds of soil molds and a few types of bacteria. About \$4 billion worth of crops are lost yearly, never making it to market, he said.

The scientists envision a farmer or gardener selecting a good mold to attack a specific fungal disease of crops. A company would package and sell the mold, for example, in non-toxic pellets.

"Safe, non-polluting disease control sometimes lasts for several seasons," Papavizas says of tests at the Beltsville, Md., research center.

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Completely furnished model residences will be open for viewing at The Fairways soon. The model interiors will be designed by the award-winning interior designer, Sara Olester of Chicago. Olester specializes in interpreting the nation's latest design themes for today's sophisticated home buyer.

The Fairways townhouses were created to answer the area's substantial demand for high-quality houses with the many benefits and amenities of condominium ownership. Many buyers will benefit financially from buying a townhouse at The Fairways as an alternative to renting, or as a release from the demands of a large detached house in favor of maintenance-free condominium living.

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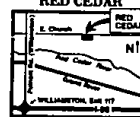
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