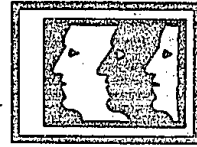


# Suburban Life

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## Gardeners plan a flower show

"All Around Michigan" is the title of Farmington Garden Club's flower show Friday and Saturday, Sept. 22 and 23, in The Community Center, 24705 Farmington Road. Show time

is 1-5 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday. Admission is free. Approximately 50 flower arrangements will be exhibited in the floral design division of the show, depicting

various areas of the state. One class of arrangements, featuring the Great Lakes, will consist of underwater designs, a new concept in flower handling.

The smallest city in Michigan, Omer, will be honored by five miniature flower arrangements, using tiny flowers in the smallest of containers, occupying less than five inches in any direction.

Michigan's center for magicians and magicians' supplies is Colon. It will be represented by floral designs that create optical illusion, a floral art rarely attempted.

Mackinaw Bridge and Copper Harbor are also included in this imaginative flower show. They will be depicted with appropriate arrangements and accessories.

Old Mission Peninsula, famous for its grapes, is another likely Michigan area to be represented by flowers and fruit, and a group of Oriental arrangements will depict Michigan's sister province of Szechwan, in China.

These are but a few of the many areas represented by flower designs created by garden club members.

**THE HORTICULTURAL** division of the show will depict certain Michigan areas such as Holland and Midland. These will feature flowers, shrubbery, vegetables and fruits natural to the areas and will be judged for their size, color, quality and horticultural perfection.

One entire section is devoted to indoor potted plants.

"It has been three years since our last flower show and members of the club are anxious and enthusiastic about demonstrating their flower design prowess," said Geraldine Tobin, president of the garden club.

"Our flower show chairman, Eileen Abbott, has gone all out in furnishing us with a subject matter which is both imaginative and appropriate. Michigan is a great state and its geographical areas lend themselves well to floral depiction."

There will be a table of garden club related supplies for sale.



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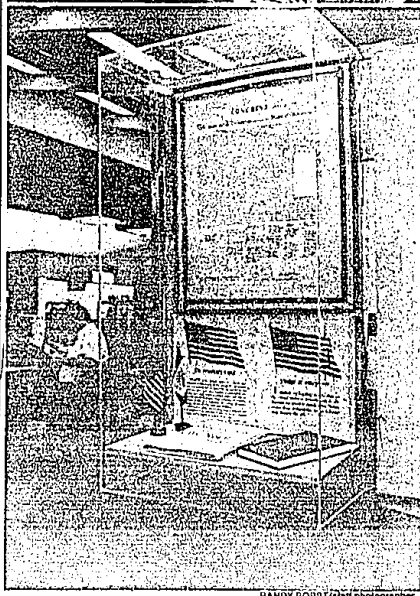
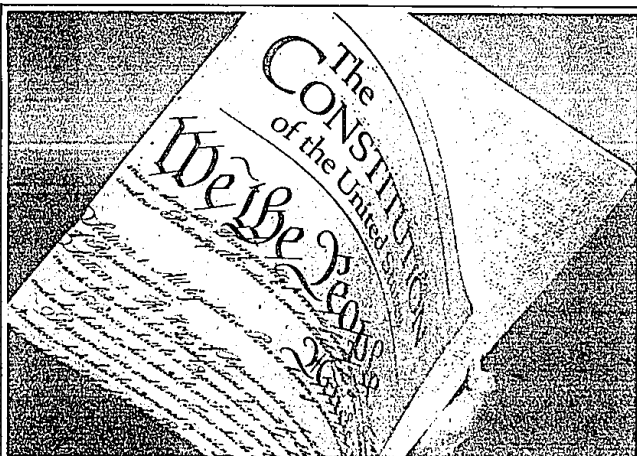
Gardener and flower arranger Kay Briggs combines Michigan wildflowers and Michigan wines for her arrangement in Farmington Garden Club's "All Around Michigan" flower show, which opens at 1 p.m. Friday in The Community Center. Briggs' arrangement is one of 50 that will be up for judging and remain on display for the two-day show. Admission to the show is free.



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The minuscule flower arrangements represent Michigan's minuscule city, Omer. The artistic arrangement, up for judging in Farmington Garden Club's flower show this weekend, is

flanked by Gerry Tobin (at left), the club's president, and Dorothy Gordon, chairwoman of arrangements for the show.



### It's U.S. Constitution Week

In observance of U.S. Constitution Week (Sept. 17-23), Quakertown Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) made the display that's now in the Farmington Hills Branch Library (shown at left) and gave several gifts. A copy of the U.S. Constitution in Braille (shown above) was given to the patrons of the Oakland County Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, based in the Farmington Hills library. A gift to the Farmington Community Library was a copy of "Historic Women of Michigan," a sesquicentennial publication compiled by the Michigan Studies Association of Lansing in 1987. A second copy of that book was given to the DAR Library in Washington, D.C.

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