

Made in state

Golf putter stars at Capitol forum

The Woolzie, billed as the world's most accurate golf putter, was presented to two state representatives at the Capitol Enterprise Forum meeting Feb. 27 in Lansing, Farmington businessman Bruce Woolsey, inventor of the putter, made the presentations.

Following his remarks to CEF, Woolsey presented putters to Debbie Stabenow, chair, committee on economic development and energy, Michigan House of Representatives, and Larry Meyer, director, State of Michigan Department of Commerce. Both guests addressed the forum on Michigan business, and had a put-off with their new putters on a portable green.

Woolsey has also presented putters to President Bush and singer Kenny Rogers.

CEF is a group of Michigan investors, entrepreneurs, inventors and business representatives that meets monthly for business networking and to help expand new businesses in Michigan.

The Woolzie putting head is a prism that allows a golfer to see the ball, flag stick, cup and line on which the ball travels all at once. The Woolzie Co. Inc. began in 1989 and is headquartered in Farmington.



Bruce Woolsey (left) watches as Larry Meyer, state Department of Commerce director, tries out a Woolzie putter.

Towns get new ZIP codes

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Postal officials said that attention was paid to assigning new ZIP codes to municipal boundaries. But that didn't happen to the southwest corner, for a reason.

"They are in a different management sectional division (of the postal service). That area has a different postal processing plant, and they are at the corner where two sectional centers meet," Gillespie said. "The 481-- numbers are not affected at all by this change."

EVEN THOUGH some think it

would be nice to be a part of Farmington Hills in every way, it could present some difficulties.

"If they changed our address, it would be hard to explain. How do you tell a magazine subscription that after all these years, your street address hasn't changed, but your city has," Majors said.

"Mail volume is expected to double in the next 10 years," Gillespie said.

And a 25-percent increase in mail deliveries is expected in the same period.

To get the word out on the new ZIPs, postal officials will:

- Send each customer a written notification of their new ZIP.
- Place large maps in post offices clearly outlining new ZIP code boundaries.

- Make available to all affected customers correspondent notification packages containing 10 postage-paid change of address cards.

- Establish a toll-free hot line to answer questions, 1-800-654-CODE, which is now available.

- Allow local businesses with an inventory of pre-printed stationery until July 1, 1991, to exhaust existing supplies.

Sinai Center celebrates 2nd year

The Sinai Surgery Center in Farmington Hills, a facility devoted to outpatient surgery, is celebrating its second anniversary.

The 13,000-square foot surgery center is within the Louis and Vivian Berry Health Center, a 30,000-square-foot physician office building.

Outpatient surgery is increasing in popularity. According to Dr. Michael Rosenberg, medical director of the center, about 40 percent of all surgeries are done on an outpatient basis. This number is expected to increase to 60 percent by the end of the century.

Surgeons at the center perform a variety of procedures including ear, nose and throat and plastic/cosmetic procedures, orthopedics, gynecologic and ophthalmic surgeries. Various laser surgeries are also performed. More than 2,600 procedures were performed during the 1988-89 fiscal year, and 3,600 are expected this fiscal.

The center was designed solely for outpatient surgery and to provide a comfortable atmosphere for patients during a time of high anxiety. "Everything is closer than a hospital, and it's close at hand. Our scheduling is efficient so things aren't hectic," said Rosenberg.

To better facilitate both the patients and physicians, the office is computerized. Patient information is maintained in a database and office staff may provide cost estimates to patients before a procedure. Physician information is at their fingertips.

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In the joints, arthritis means that cartilage is breaking down and or the cells of the joint lining are inflamed. In the back, arthritis prompts a different response: overgrowth of bone at the site of irritation.

In the joints, arthritis causes impaired function. The roughing of cartilage results in a loss of smooth gliding of bone over bone, the presence of extra fluid distends the joint and causes misalignment of its surfaces.

In the back, the extra bone brings on damage by pinching against nerve roots. Muscle strain comes as the back attempts to re-set its natural curves and at the same time, bends to avoid that impingement. Muscle spasm occurs when the strain goes beyond the body's capacity to sustain it.

Stopping inflammation and removing fluid help joints, but these measures have little effect on back arthritis. For the vast majority of back aches, the best therapies are heat and constant application of good mechanics in walking and lifting.

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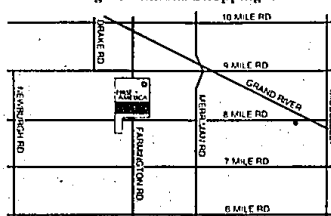
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