

## ENGAGEMENTS

## Paulson-Doner

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Paulson of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Sandra J., to Thomas G. Doner, son of Donna Doner of Farmington Hills and the late Robert G. Doner.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Franklin High School and is employed by One Way Realty & Omega Mortgage Corp. as an office manager/realtor/loan officer.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Cody High School and is employed by Van Con Inc. as a sales engineer.

A June wedding is planned in First Church of the Nazarene.



## DeSantis-Kahn

Carolyn DeSantis of Farmington Hills and Jerry DeSantis of Farmington Hills announce the engagement of their daughter, Laura Rochelle, to Brian Kahn, son of Nancy Kahn of Walled Lake and Peter Kahn of Schaumburg, Ill.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Farmington High School and Eastern Michigan University with a bachelor's degree in office technology.

She is employed by the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Belleville High School and Schoolcraft College.

He will be studying law enforcement at Eastern Michigan University. He is employed by a



local police department.

A May wedding is planned at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Livonia.

## WEDDINGS

## Kearis-Coker

Amy Coker and Bryan Kearis were married Dec. 4, 1993, in Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Livonia by the Rev. James Spilso. She is the daughter of Ann Coker of Plymouth and Dr. Marlin Coker of Naples, Fla., and he is the son of Joyce Harris of Livonia and Richard Kearis of Bloomfield Hills.

The bride is a graduate of Western Michigan University with a degree in interior design. She is employed by Classic Interiors.

The groom is also a graduate of Western Michigan University with a degree in finance. He is employed by McClough, Few & Mayette in Royal Oak as an accountant.

Beth Coker served as maid of honor with bridesmaids Amy Nelson, Debbie Drabek, Karmen Bush and Shelley Bohlen.



Mark Kearis served as best man with groomsmen Michael Valvona, Gary Kroll, Chad Bush and Scott Jordan.

The bride wore an ivory satin gown adorned with pearls. It had a cathedral-length train.

The couple received guests at Hawthorne Valley Country Club before leaving on a trip to Grand Caymen. They are making their home in Farmington Hills.

## Callender-Thomas

Dr. and Mrs. Gordon Callender of Pensacola, Fla., announce the engagement of their daughter, Catherine Mary, to Jonathan Robert Thomas of St. Louis, Mo., son of Robert and Donna Thomas of Northville.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of the University of Florida, where she earned a bachelor's degree and a master's degree.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Farmington High School, Concordia College in Ann Arbor, where he earned a bachelor's degree, and Concordia Seminary in St. Louis.

A June wedding is planned in



First Lutheran Church in Gainesville, Fla.

## Joy-Heinzmann

Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood H. Joy of West Bloomfield announce the engagement of their daughter, Melissa Jean, to Martin Heinzmann, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dieter Heinzmann of Howell.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Harrison High School and Ohio University, where she earned bachelor of business administration and master's degrees. She is employed by Danly-Komatsu in Southfield.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Harrison High School and Michigan Technological University, where he earned a bachelor of science degree. He is employed as an electrical engineer at Link Engineering in Plymouth.



A November wedding is planned at Orchard United Methodist Church in Farmington Hills.

## Cox

Family and friends came to Farmington March 18 to honor the 50 golden years of Thomas and Elizabeth Cox. The couple started the Flamingo Trailer Park on Nine Mile and Middlebelt and a few years ago retired from it.

Larry wrote the following poem in their honor:

"Over five decades, that's a long time ago, a man named Tom came to Detroit don't you know.

He worked for awhile doing this and that, while watching some baseball and his brother at bat,

until one day a horse and wagon he finds, to deliver milk for a placed called Twin Pines.

This is how it starts with that beautiful secretary, the girl named Betty who he will marry.

As time moved on their first son would be a star,

Tom decided to showcase him in his new bar.

Music was Rod's love, a guitar he would carry.

But one day came another, his name would be Larry.

So Tom and Lizabit started a trailer park, now there were four, the challenge seemed dark.



We all grew up as most families will do, but now there's Jonathan, a grandson for you.

Today is very special as we look at your past, your love for each other that would last and last.

Not often God blesses us with people so dear, I thank Him for Tom and Elizabeth each and every year.

This gathering of friends was so great and nifty, we all love and honor you both on your gold fifty.

With everlasting love, Larry

## Barber

Frank and Laura Marie (Slusser) Barber of Farmington celebrated their golden wedding anniversary April 14. They were high school sweethearts at Farmington High School and were married in El Paso, Texas while Frank served in the Army. A reception, hosted by their children, is planned.

The Barbers have four children: Judith (Michael) McMahon of Clinton Township; Frank (Susan) of Upland, Calif.; Joanne (Dennis) Griffin of Mt. Holly, N.J.; and John (Anna) of Livonia. They also have eight grandchildren.



Dustin, Amanda and Darla Barber; Jason and Jeremy Beck; Heather McMahon; Megan Griffin and the late Amy Barber.

## Selle

Vernon H. and Ruth L. Selle of Winter Haven, Fla., who had lived in the Farmington area for 40 years, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary this month.

They have five children: Sharon Derwinski of Farmington Hills; Sandee Stangie of Canton; Gary of Houston, Texas; Bob of Caracas, Venezuela; and Dean of Northville. They also have 12 grandchildren.



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