

COMMUNITY LIFE

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Dads, daughters, desserts, delights

They can bring home the bacon, cook it up in a pan, clean the kitchen, fix the dryer, mow, the lawn, take out the garbage, bathe the kids, read a story—and still be a man.

'Dads in the 90s' are decidedly more in the day-to-day business of family life. It's a quiet movement that doesn't seem to get much press, but dads are showing up everywhere.

I'm talking taking vacation days, just like their spouses might have to, to chaperone a field trip to the zoo. Or sitting yoga style in circle time with their pre-schooler, singing an off key rendition of "You are My Sunshine."

There are the carpool dads, the bus stop dads, the mom's group dads, and even the dads who have mastered the fine art of French braiding their daughter's long locks.

At first, maybe it was out of necessity as women flooded the work force. But now, dads in growing numbers are ardently embracing their role as co-parents.

I recently, quite literally, bumped into a guy, at Kroger's as we were both engrossed in calculating the true fat grams in our respective food choices. As he apologized and turned away, two arms flailed from a Gerry Carrier on his back, a toddler threw cookies out of his cart while a six-year-old terror rode shotgun.

Just look around our Farmington Hills community, men are making more than just money. They are making time for their families and for their kids. It's no surprise that they continue the

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Been there, done that: Ina Kadish, who faces a bone marrow transplant to treat ovarian cancer, gets emotional support from her husband, Paul, who five years ago underwent the procedure for non-Hodgkin's lymphoma.

His and hers: Couple battles cancer

Next month Ina Kadish will have a bone marrow transplant to treat ovarian cancer. She's quite familiar with the procedure. Five years ago her husband Paul received a bone marrow transplant for treatment of non-Hodgkin's lymphoma.

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Farmington Hills couple has in common that sets them apart. Next month, Ina will have a bone

marrow transplant in a life-saving effort to beat her ovarian cancer. The procedure will occur on the five-year anniversary of Paul's successful bone marrow transplant for non-Hodgkin's lymphoma.

"My doctors are all saying to me, if you don't have it, goodbye," said Ina, who has already undergone the procedure to remove and freeze her blood stem cells.

This building block of marrow will be thawed and reintroduced

into Ina's system after she has received massive doses of chemotherapy and radiation at Harper Hospital in the Detroit Medical Center, the same facility where Paul was treated in 1990.

Because a bone marrow transplant is considered experimental for ovarian cancer patients, the costly procedure is not covered by the Kadish's insurance, Blue Cross/

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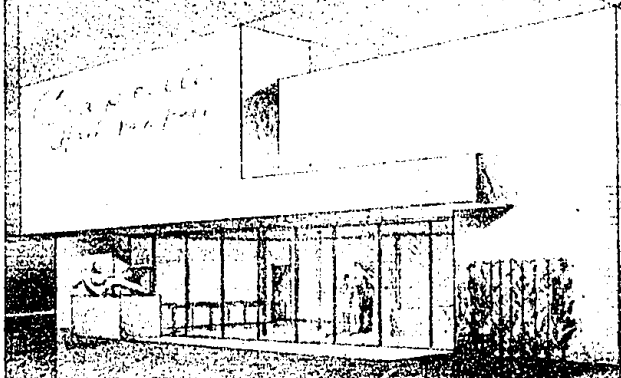
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