## **Historic** homesdisplayed

The Farmington Area Heritage Home Tour will be held Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 16-17. A varie-ty of historic sites, showing "A Century of Style," will be open 1-

Included will be a wide range of examples showing styles from earning 19th Century Greek Revival and Victorian into the early 20th Century. Included will be a number within walking distance of each other in town Parmington as well as homes around Farmings as well as none account of the control of the cont ton Hills and requiring driving

Tickets, good both days, are \$12. Advance tickets will be avail-able from the Farmington Hills city offices, Farmington Histori-

#### MERITAGE TOUR

cal Museum, Farmington city of-fices and Metrobank.

Nine sites have been selected for inclusion on this year's tour, including a number that have not been previously featured. The Philbrick Tavern, the well-recognized landmark at 11 Mile and Power roads, will be included, slong with seven other prime sites across the Hills.

With homeowners aprucing up their properties and graciously opening their homes, the Heritage Home Tour showcases the wealth of fine antique homes and archi-tecture that is a unique character-istic of the Farmington area.

The tour is co-sponsored by the Farmington Hill Historical Commission, Farmington Historical Commission and the Farmington Historical Society.



A little bird told her: Karen Doerfler says animals are stress relicvers and she said her children benefit from being around them.



Touch of kindness: Karen Doerfler of Farmington Hills provides personal nursing care to an elderly couple from Royal Oak, Samantha Abro returns Doerfler's touch in

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with that of her children and has to plan where she will be for any given 24-hour period. She makes a point of keeping on good terms with her former husband and even picking him up in Pontiac to drive him to her home to visit the children. "This is not what I shough!

ner nome to visit the children.
"This is not what I thought
my life would be," she says.
"I've had times when I would
lie swake, too tired to sleep and
say, 'this really sucks."

"But I've managed to keep a sense of humor," she said. "For me that is the most important thing."

With little time for sleep as it is, the registered nurse doesn't even consider dating. "That would be way too hard

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Karen Doerfler

even if I could make the effort," she said. "And someone would have to consider a wom an with four kids. It's a part of my life that the door just closed on."

About the time she says that, Doerfler realized she was taking herself a little too seriously.

"I have my health and my kids are doing OK," she said. "And I can still laugh."

# Hillside students benefit from Silicon partnership

Now in its third year, the Farm-ington Public Schools Community Partnership Advisory Council is dedicated to bringing the schools and local businesses closer togethand the disspiring them to share tol-ents and resources. Direct queries to Betty Wolford, School/Commu-nity Relations, at 489-3349.



Hillside students will have a global reach, thanks to Silicon Graphics' Phillip Uchno, regional manager for Great Lakes Region, and Barry Broullette, regional systems engineering manager.

gional system on gino earing manager. They donated to the school a Personal Iris, a 3-D graphics work station which supports World Wids Web (WWM). A 71 line to the Internet is coming to Hilliant winter. The Iris can be a server making it very easy to use yet information from a site survener in the world. Students will also be authoring work for Hillialso be authoring work for Hillialso be authoring work for Hillialso Branch of Graphics' regional headquarters of the Great Lake Region has been in Farmington since 1983 when it opaned with

four employes.

It now has a work force of 65 people and is located on Drake south of Grand River. Although best known for work in movie special effects such as the dinosaurs in "Jurassic Park," Sillcon Graphirs' largest market is actually CAD or computer aided design and some of the biggest customers are in southeast Michigan. Automotive companies use Sillcon Graphics machines for styling, engineering design and analysis, visual simulation, selentific visualization, and even virtual reality opplications such as flying through the engine compartment of a car that doesn't even have a prototype yet.

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The Iris is used by companies for scientific research, movie making, to generate images for TV commercials, and for various kinds of engineering design. Its ability to manipulate an object in three dimensions allows chemist to visualize molecules and engineers to analyze streases such as in car parts or bridges.

Using the Iris, students will be able to interact in three dimensions with various types of information. Over a period of time, they could actually model objects on the computer as if they were modeling in elsy.

Silicon Graphics donated the machine to Hillside when representatives learned of the work

Explaining It: Barry Brouilette of Silicon Graphics Systems explains some of the capabilities of the Personal Iris to art consultant Jan Warner. His company donated the work station as well as the Macintosh SE20 computers to Hillside Elementary School.

that Hillside art consultant Jean Warner has been doing on the Internet and the World Wide Web project she created for Hillside with doctoral students Deborah Gibson and Leigh Ann Martin from the University of Michigan. Brouillette met Warner when she attended a technology update his company offered to teachers.

He said, "We have been very impreased with the project that Jean has going and wanted to see what we could do to encourage it. I want her and her students to be able to do more extensive projects, and this machine will give her more computing power and disk storage space." Silicon Graphica also donated Macintosh SE20 computers to Hillside.

Hillside has a home page on the Internet (http://www.unich.edu/lemartin/Hillside/Hillside/Hillside.html) with a picture of the achool and accoss to categories of information about Hillside such as curriculum, art exhibits, etc.

The Iris will give Hillside students and Warner explients of greaters of the state of the sta

doing.

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doing.

Brouillette is a mentor for Hillside students, staff and parents.
He has demonstrated the use of
World Wide Web to Hillside
groups as well as Farmington
Public Schools technology leaders. He provides professional periodicals for Hillside staff on advanced technology.

He helps Hillside students and
staff Integrate real life uses of
multimedia Information and communication reflecting its use in
the business world. Brouillette
does frequent classroom demonstrations to students sharing
SGI's advanced capabilities. He
is helping teachers to learn Web
authoring on the Iris. He has been
an active participant to guide the
vision of integrating technology in
education at Hillsides and the district for Mission 2007.

Several companies use the Iris,
including NASA, Ford, GM and
Chrysler. To Warner's knowledge.
Hillside is the only public school
to have this machine thanks to
the generosity of Silicon Grophica' Phillip Uchno and Barry
Brouillette.





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