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Discovery Shop sells treasures

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owntown Parmington is fast becoming a destination of choice for buyers of antiques and collectibles.

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Shop in downtown Farmington Center has established a logal group of customers who indulge their love of old things while at the same time, continuing to a worthy cause.

Fallowing their success, Stevens Antiques at the corner of Farmington Isaad and Grand River has established a special niche for Italel in fine mahogany furniture and accessories which date primarily from 1920 to the 70s.

The Cherul's Cheet, on Grand River, and the Craftique Mall, both in downtown Farmington, are the latest entrants in the antiques and collectibles market.

Clierob is goining a reputation among decorators and home owners who look for the celectic and eccentric from a superb collection of European antiques and unjues and unjues and unjue decorator it leass.

Craftique Mall at 33:300 Slocum, opened recently in the 14,000-quare-foot building, which farmerly housed Ray's Interiors, Business has been very good with a mis of 55 percent crafts, and 35 percent collectibles.

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Neighbors who paint our vistas

Sometimes all it takes is for a neighbor to plant some flowers and a few shrubs and suddenly the view out your window is delightfully changed. There are some people in Farmington and Farmington Hills who put in a lot of extra effort and use their plots of land to artistically BY DIANE GALE



When Deborah
Read and Pam
Palechek look at
their gardens they
see wonderful reminders of their faeeeds of love they planted.
Both women won first place in the
1995 Farmington Garden Club's Good
Neighber Garden Centent. Read won
in the parden category and Palechek
won for her landscape work.

"Ho's the inspiration for the garden," said Read of her fether, Curtis Pickens who won the same honor five years ago, Pickens, who did two years ago, was a master gardener who instilled his love for plants and soil in his daughter.

"I'm really happy about this, because he would be very proud," she added.

Read's garden on Pickett in

added.
Rend's garden on Pickett in Farmington is mostly filled with percentials and a few annuals.
Her advice for other gordeners is to work on the soil. "I have an organic garden and it's all mulch,"

she added.

Gardening has always been a family affair for Palechok, too.

"Gardening has been a hobby for

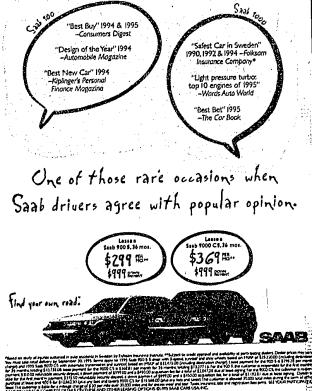


Quiden of splender: Pam Palachek sits in the area that won her and her husband, Doug, first place in the landscaping category of the Farmington Garden Club's Good Neighbor garden contest.

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