## Agencies can help locate relative



Q. My elderly nunt, who lives with me, has a 1 w a y s talked about her brother (my uncle) that she has not heard from in many years.

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would be
to see him again and I
would be happy to try and
locate him for her. I don't
know how to go about looking for him and thought you
might be able to help. I
don't think she can afford a
private detective though.
A. Surprisingly enough thera
are several professional agencies that have had fairly good
luck in locating friends and relatives for people that have not
been in contact with them for
many years. While these services do charge a fee, and I

don't know what their fees are, I have a feeling that the cost is less than it would be if you hired a private detective. The three I have heard of are Find People Fast at 1-800-829-1807, Old Friend Information Service at 1-800-841-7938 and Infoquest, 1-800-562-7647. Make sure you ask about their charges before you hire them and good luck.

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Q. Is there an employment agency that helps seniors to find Jobs in Livingston county?

A. Senior Aides, a program of the Oakland Livingston Human Service Agency, is/an employment and training program that is available to older people in Livingston and Oakland counties. The program helps people 55 years of age and older to upgrade their skills and find unsubsidized jobs. For information call (248) 858-6128.

Q. My father has Parkin-

son's Disease. He also has high blood pressure and heart disease. I think the drugs he is taking are making all of his Parkinson's symptoms worse. I have talked with his dector but he says he has to take all his medications.

A. I must again scress that I am not a dector. I have hower, been informed that people with Parkinson's who also have other medical conditions and has heart disease, high blood pressure, Glaucoma, cancer intestinal diseases and bladder or orthopedic conditions must take other medications, that their condition or medications may influence the treatment of the Parkinson's. It up to your physicians to monitor the offects of all medications. Other the dector may feel that the beneficial aspects of the drugs exceed the risks. If your dad is seeing more than one dector for his illnesses it is extremely important that all the dectors are aware of all the

medications being used.

Q. My husband and I are in our 70's. We are both having trouble with our teeth. I think we need dentures but we can't afford the prices the dentists are asking. If there some place that will take care of us?

A. Low income adults can take advantage of the dental program offered by the Oakland County Health Division. They offer general dentistry as well as complete or partial dentures to eligible people. An application and registration fee is required.

Participants appointments will be scheduled at selected locations. You can call one of their three locations for more information.

Oakland County Health Division offices are located in Pontica, (248) 858-1220, Southfield, (248) 424-7000 and Walled Lake, (248) 926-3300.

## Movie showing aids Karmanos Institute

An upcoming benefit for the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute at the Star Southfield Entertainment Center and Galleria Officecentre will include the screening of the new movie 'The Avengera.' 'A Night of Good Taste Goes to the Movies' will be at 8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 17, at the Star Southfield Entertainment Centra and Galleria Officecent being news ancher Robbie Timmons of WXYZ, Channel 7.

The evening includes a 6 p.m. Patron Party featuring a light

Uma 'hurman and Sean Connery.
Tickets can be bought by calling (800) 527-6268.
Patron tickets are \$50 cach
and include supper and the
screening. Movie tickets are \$25.
A portion of the ticket price is
tax deductible.
The Star Southfield is at
25333 West 12 Mile between
Highway.

summer supper. There will also be a look-a-like contest for stars of the movie, Ralph Fiennes, Uma Thurman and Sean Con-

## Alzheimer's Association to hold 3-part workshop for caregivers

A three-part enregiver work-shop will be held next month by the Alzheimer's Association Detroit Chapter.

The workshops will be 6-8 pm. Sundays, Aug. 5, 12 and 19, at St. David's Episcopal Church, 18200 West 12 Mile. Road, Southfield, between Greenfield and Southfield roads. The worshop is free and refreshments will be served.

The Aug. 5 program will be devoted to basic information about Alzheimer's Disease and related dementias. Aug. 12 will be concerned with communicating with a memory-impaired person and dealing with difficult

behaviors. The Aug. 19 workshop will address community resources and legal and financial considerations.

Participants will be given excellent training materials, including "Understanding Diffi-cult Behaviors," by Anne Robin-son, Beth Spencer and Laurie White.

Participants are encouraged to attend all three sessions. The workshop is presented as a part of the Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Caregiver Education Project funded by Michigan Department of Com-munity Health and United Way.

Call (248)557-8277 to register.

## 'Helping Hands' helps seniors keep independence

If you are an older adult who needs assistance around the house but can't hire full-time help, you can find a helpin Hands" include assistance with bathing, shopping, meal preparation, light housekeeping and transportation. While "Helping Hands," a non-profit program managed by Beaumont's Department of Older Adult Services, provides companionship and personal assistance to independent-living and home-bound senior citizens in the com-

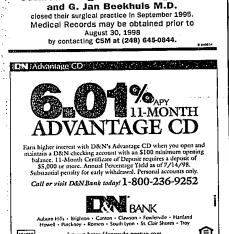
For more information about Helping Hands or to order the service, call Beaumont's Senior Resource Line at toll-free 1-800-328-2241.

"The goal of this program is to help seniors continue to live

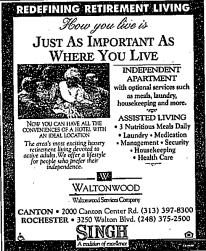
days a week. Minimum service provided is six hours a week for homes as long as possible, says at least four weeks duration, and clients are billed on an hourly basis.

For more information about affordable alternative to a full-time caregiver in their

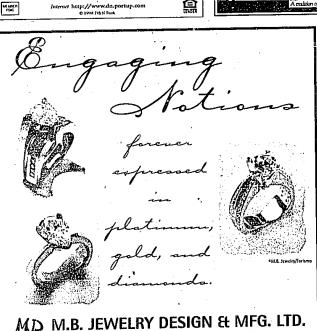
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