

# On baby ducks; care for

There is a pair of mallard ducks in our yard. The female has laid six eggs so why isn't she laying on her cove?

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Nesting takes place from April to July; most clutches have five to 16 eggs, laid one per day. The female builds the nest. Incubation is about 27 days.

When chicks are born, they can see, walk and swim. Chicks can feed themselves within a few minutes or hours after hatching. They do not stay in the nest.

As soon as the young are dry after hatching, within 24 hours, they are led to water, which could be a few yards or a mile away from the nest. At about three weeks of age, the young begin to lose their downy feathers and are fully feathered. They are able to fly when 50 to 70 days old.

How can you tell a baby wood duck from a baby mallard?

The most obvious difference is in the ave atrine. On the mal-

lard?
The most obvious difference is in the eye stripe. On the mallard, it begins at the back of the head and continues through the upper bill. The stripe on the wood duck begins at the back of the head and stops at the eye.
The Story of Puffy is a true story.

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There was a guinea pig originally named Puffy but Daddy was added after he sired a litter of three little girls. His owner had thought he had purchased two girl guinea pigs.

Puff Daddy was donated to very caring vet in October of 1998. Puff had a severe case of ringworm in which his original owner was unable to medicate him.

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# guinea pigs

the floor and let Puff come and sit in her lap. It was love at first sight. Both know that they needed each other.

If you have to give up your pet, please dor't dump him. If you were that dumped pet, you wore that dumped pet, you wore that dumped pet, you would be scared and very unhappy. So if you must get rid of pet, please put your pet in good hands.

My hushand and I want to get a guinea pig for our 8-year old son. What are some things for us to think about when buying a guinea pig?

It's nice to head of a family who is interested in doing the best for the morped of a family who is interested in doing the best for the morped of a family who is interested in a family who is interested in the second of a family who is interested in a family the second of a family who is interested in a family the second in the sec

for children.

Don't expect your son to be able to handle all the responsibilities of the guinea pig himself. You will have to do most of the work for your new cute pet.

## SENEX needs volunteers

The Farmington Hills Senior Adult division currently has openings for compassionate people willing to share their time with SENEX, a social and recreational day program for the elderly to provide enrichment, music, crafts and help with daily activities.

activities. Call Heather at 473-1830.

#### Checking out art



Flanders students: Erin Brantley, Robert Hoffman and Brittany Pellegrino look at paintings at the Costick Center during Festival of the Arts.

# Raffle funds Jewish kids' camps

Detroit.

The raffle will provide scholarships for children to attend Jewish Center camps and other JCC

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Top prize is a two-year lease of a 1999 Chrysler Sebring JX convertible, donated by Shuman Chrysler Plymouth Jeep-Pagle of Walled Lake, Among the other prizes are a big screen TV valued at \$1,000 and \$1,000 cash. Only 1,000 tax-deductible ticket at \$100 each will be sold. The

Children's scholarships will drawing will take place at 7:30 benefit from the fifth annual car raffle sponsored by the Jewish Community Center of Metro Club.

Club.

The winner of the car lease must meet specific lease qualifications. Deposit requirements and other restrictions may

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Tickets are available at the Kahn Building, 6800 W. Maple, West Bloomfield, and the Morris Building, 18110 W. 10 Mile, Oak Park, on the Taubman Jewish community campus.

By phone, call Georgina Harris at 661-7714.

# Meet new Finnish consul

The Finnish Cultural Center of Farmington Hills is hosting a reception 3-5 p.m. Sunday, May 2, to welcome new consul Dr. Gary Waissi of Ann Arbor and any goodbye to departing consul Ruben Nayback of West Bloomfield.

The center is located at 35200 W. Eight Mile in Farmington Hills.

Waissi was appointed the honorary consul of Finland in Michigan, for the Lower Peninsula, on Oct. 9, 1998. Ho is an associate professor of management sciences and servos as the acting dean of the School of Management, University of Michigan-Dearborn campus.

The public is welcome to attend.

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### **WEDDINGS & ENGAGEMENTS**



**GAULTUREAUD** Robert and Shirley Gaul announce the engagement of

their daughter, Shari, to John Tureaud, son of Elizabeth Tureaud of Canton and the late Aloysius Tureaud. The bride-te-be is a graduate of be Linversity of South Dako-ta. She is employed as a dental hydenist.

ta. She is employed as a dental hygienist. Her flance is a 1985 graduate of Farmington High School. He is also a graduate of Adrian College and the University of Detroit-Mercy. He is employed as director of revenue systems at Marian Health Center.

A May weedding is planned is Sioux City.

#### **REBEL-PRUSKI**

HEBELPRUSKI
Dr. Betty Jean Hebel of Farmington Hills, announces the engagement of her daughter, Annie Hebel to Scott Pruski, son of Stan and Merry Ellen Pruski.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Grand Rapids.
The bride-to-be is a graduate of Western Michigan University with a bachelor of science degree and a master of arts degree from New York University, She is a drama teacher at Spring Lake High School in Spring Lake, Michigan.

The groom earned a bachelor of arts degree from the University of Michigan, He is a financial consultant in Grand Rapids.

A July wedding is planned at

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St. Robert of Newminster Catholic Church in Ada.



HAMILTON-MIKEL

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Hamilton of Troy announce the engagement of their daughter Tanya Michele to Chad Everett Mikel, son of Steve and Nancy Mikel of Farmington Hills.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School and is employed by Speedo Authentic Fitness in the Somerset Mall.

The groom is a graduate of Rochester Hills Christian School and Pensacola Christian College. He is employed as an engineer at the DaimelerChrysler Corp. in Auturn Hills.

uburn Hills. A June wedding is planned.

#### TODSON-LEBOVITZ

Mr. Joss Todson of West Bloomfield and Mrs. Karen Hattemer-Plant of Redford announce the engagement of their daughter Tonya Marie Todson to Mark Adam Lebovitz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lebovitz of Farmington Hills.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of West Bloomfield High School and Michigan State University. She is employed at Great Lakes Strategies in Birmingham.
The groom is a graduate of Farmington Harrison High School, Michigan State University and Oakland University. He is employed at Munder Capital

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