

HomeShare program helps people find shared living arrangements

Q. I am 85 years old and live in my own home in the Pontiac area. I have heard about that I can get someone to live in my house and help with the chores and expenses. What do you know about this?

A. In the Pontiac area the Oakland Livingston Human Service Agency has a program called HomeShare. It helps people 18 years of age and older to find reputable shared living arrangements. Often in the case of the older adult home owner, the program will match the older adult with someone that can either help with the home maintenance,

pay rent to help with the costs or in some cases, do both. OLSHA is very careful to make certain that all parties in the HomeShare program are well matched.

In addition, OLSHA has many programs that can help the older person living in their own home with many services that make staying in one's own home easier and safer. They provide a home chore program for people over 60 living in North and Southwest Oakland County. The Choir Service for Seniors program offers help with minor home repairs, heavy housecleaning and yard work. Home Support Services provides help with housekeeping, shopping, personal care and transportation. There is a fee for this service.

For additional information on the HomeShare program and other services offered by OLSHA call (248) 858-6128.

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ANNIVERSARY



Demasek 50th

James and Elizabeth (McDonauld) Demasek of Lathrup Village will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Oct. 30 with a dinner with family and friends at Red Run Country Club in Royal Oak. They met on a blind date.

Their children are Susan (Demasek) and James Schade, Dennis Demasek and Dobra Demasek. Grandchildren are Scott, Ryan and Kristyn and they have a great-granddaughter, Sabrina.

On submitting announcements

Local engagement, wedding, anniversary and birth announcements run in the Thursday and Sunday editions of The Observer & Eccentric.

Residents of the Birmingham-Bloomfield, West Bloomfield and Southfield areas should send their engagement, wedding, anniversary or birth information, with or without photograph, to: Attn: Brides, The Eccentric, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham 48009.

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If you have questions regarding your announcement, call Sue Wills in Birmingham at (248) 901-2560; Debbie Douglas in Rochester at (248) 651-7575, or Katie McManus in Farmington at (248) 477-5450. For a recorded message with complete information on submitting announcements, call (248) 901-4730 for The Eccentric and (313) 953-2065 for The Observer.

9 enter into Michigan Women's Hall of Fame

Nine Michigan women will be installed into the Michigan Women's Hall of Fame during a silent auction, awards dinner and afterglow this evening, Thursday, Oct. 22, at the Novi Hilton Hotel.

They are: Lt. Gov. Connie Binsfeld, Marie Dye, Ph.D., (posthumous), Dorrie Ellen Rosenblatt, Ph.D., M.D., Martha Jean Steinberg, Hilda Patricia Curran, Eleanor Josaitis, Ella Merriman Sharp (posthumous), Mary Jean (Lily) Tomlin, and Ruth Thompson (posthumous). Among those presenting the awards will be Gov. John Engler and First Lady Michelle Engler, and local residents Irma Elder of Bloomfield Hills and Oakland County Sheriff John Nichols.

The Englers will recognize all the honorees. They will also pay tribute to Binsfeld; Michelle Engler will induct Binsfeld into the Hall of Fame. Binsfeld's accomplishments include being the only woman in Michigan history to hold leadership positions in the House, Senate and the Executive Office; being responsible for rewriting the state's Juvenile Code for cases of delinquency, child abuse and child neglect; and advocating for Michigan children, family life, women and the natural environment.

Elder, a Troy car dealership owner, will present the award to Eleanor Josaitis, who is co-founder of Focus: HOPE with Father William T. Cunningham in 1968; Nichols will present the award to Martha Jean ("The Queen") Steinberg, a minister and broadcaster affiliated with Detroit's WQBH ("Home of the Black Classics"), whose Detroit ministry is the delegate agency for the Head Start Program of the City of Detroit.

In addition, Michigan Supreme Court Chief Justice Conrad Mallett will receive the Philip A. Hart Award, recognizing a Michigan male citizen who has demonstrated unique understanding and support of women's issues and concerns, and contributed to the advancement of women's rights and interests. The Michigan Women's Historical Center and Hall of Fame is in Lansing. For more information, call (517) 484-1880.

Charities prepare for holidays

Holiday Toy Drive

The Children's Leukemia Foundation of Michigan, based in Southfield, is asking civic groups, businesses and individuals to participate in its annual holiday toy drive.

Holiday Toys gift packages are delivered to Michigan families coping with the emotional and financial stresses of leukemia, lymphoma and related disorders. CLF hopes to gather over 3,000 new toys and gifts this year.

Donated toys are needed for children of all ages, infancy through teens. All donations must be new and not gift wrapped, and are needed by the end of November to ensure an ample supply for December delivery. Ideal toys/gifts include books, arts and crafts items, hand-held video games, video, dolls, bath and body sets, sports equipment and board games.

Monetary donations are also welcomed. For more information, call CLF at 1-800-825-2535.

Halloween party

The Variety Singles Halloween Party will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 29, on the grounds of Bo's Brewery and Bistro, at the corner of Huron and Saginaw in Pontiac.

Costumes are optional. The festivities include the live band "Nobody's Business," raffles, prizes, cash bar and hors d'oeuvres, as well as games.

Tickets are \$25 and the proceeds go to benefit charities supported by Variety in the metro Detroit area, such as the Myoelectric Center at the Rehabilitation Institute and the Cardiology Center at Children's Hospital of Michigan. For tickets, call the Variety office at (248) 258-5511.

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