

Artist's work focuses on listening, communication

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Artist Elaine Grohman chose the title of her latest exhibit, "From Heart to Hand," for several reasons, among them listening with your heart and relaying those feelings to others.

Her artwork will be on the walls at city halls in Farmington and Farmington Hills as an Art in the Corridor exhibit. It runs through Sept. 28 at both locations.

The public had a chance to

meet the artist at an opening reception Monday at Farmington City Hall before the 8 p.m. council meeting.

"First and foremost for me is the experience of listening to your heart and being willing to communicate to others what is difficult to say," Grohman said. "Some of the works you will see are very complex; others are more straightforward."

The act of creating begins by being quiet and listening, she said.

"Listening not only to my own thoughts and feelings, but also

Elaine Grohman's "From Heart to Hand" exhibit is currently on display at Farmington City Hall, as part of the Art in the Corridor series.

to the quiet voice of guidance within," Grohman said. "If, as an artist I am able to allow you, the viewer, to stop and view something that is visually appealing, but also speaks to your heart, then I have done my

job," she said.

When she is not creating art, she is a healing touch practitioner. "I have the blessing of working with many individuals and helping them experience their own inner voice," she said.

Grohman was joined at the reception by husband, Richard. She comes from a blended family created by her father, Robert, and stepmother, Jane Wolford Hughes. He brought eight children and she brought seven children into their marriage in 1972.

Many of Grohman's brothers, sisters and other relatives attended the reception.

"She has gone through different periods in her art," Hughes said.

Joe Prevost, an uncle, was beaming. "She's a sweetheart,"

he said. "I love that child. She is really something."

Said Congressman Joe Knollenberg (R-Bloomfield Hills), who attended Monday's event for a short time, "It was art with a message. The calligraphy was superimposed on the artwork itself. It's a unique form of artistry. I've always been interested in calligraphy, but my penmanship is terrible. Elaine is a neat lady."

Grohman was named the Farmington Area Artist in Residence for 1994 by the Farmington Area Arts Commission.

Golf from A1

now, officially, an open tournament. Competitors no longer need live within the O&E circulation area.

Already the number of golfers figures to increase. With four days of registration still remaining (entries will be accepted through Saturday), there were nearly as many signed up as last year, when the playing field numbered 48.

One of those registered is the defending champion, Jim Landsberg of Farmington Hills. Landsberg edged Gary Cross of Livonia on the first playoff hole for last year's title in the championship flight after both had finished deadlocked at 148. Finishing third, one stroke behind, was Alex McLuckie of Canton.

Landsberg dropped off his entry form Tuesday, then proceeded to ask several pertinent questions about Fox Creek, adding he planned to try and play a round there prior to the tournament.

For the uninitiated, Fox Creek is longer but not quite as difficult as Whispering Willows. Fox Creek is a par-71, measuring 3,432 yards on the par-36 front nine and 3,180 yards on the par-35 back nine — a total of 6,612 yards.

Whispering Willows, a par-70, will play at approximately 6,250 yards (depending upon tee placements).

Cost for the tournament is \$90, with prizes awarded to the top finishers in the four flights (determined by handicap). Entries are available in all O&E sports sections or at either Whispering Willows or Fox Creek.

MOVERS & SHAKERS

MARX LAYNE GETS ACCOUNT EXEC.

The marketing and public relations agency Marx Layne & Company appointed Joseph Howse of Farmington Hills to the account executive position. Howse works on public relations, marketing and advertising efforts with clients from a number of industries.

DOCTOR MOVES TO HENRY FORD

Brian Silver, MD, of Farmington Hills has joined the Department of Neurology at Henry Ford hospital. Silver specializes in stroke and cerebrovascular disease and will join the hospital as a senior staff physician. Silver was also recently appointed assistant editor of *Stroke* medical journal.

SPECTRUM STRATEGIES

Arlene Paul of Farmington Hills was recently added to the facilities team of Spectrum Strategies in Southfield. Paul provides services to Ford Motor Land Services Corp. Paul is a certified interior designer.

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