

INTERIOR DESIGN

Caring Solutions
has new address

Caring Solutions, a business that helps adopt homes for the injured, elderly or disabled, has moved to a new office.

The new address is 31600 W. 13 Mile, Suite 115, in Farmington Hills.

The firm also could use donated items. Items that the firm is looking for include ramps, lifts, wheelchairs, stairlifts, grab bars and special sinks.

If you would like to donate objects such as these, or if you are a carpenter, electrician or other skilled worker who could donate your time installing the items, call Caring Solutions at (248) 865-9702.

CALENDAR

■ The Southfield Pavilion Antiques Exposition will take place Friday-Sunday, Sept. 28-30, at the Southfield Civic Center, 28000 Evergreen Road at Civic Center Drive (10-12 Mile). Hours are 2-9 p.m. Friday, noon to 8 p.m. Saturday, noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$5 with any ads or listings of the event, \$8 regular, free for ages 12 and under. One paid admission is good for all three days of the show. Now in its 21st year, the exposition will feature a diverse selection of fine American, European and Oriental antiques and fine art. Antique merchants from across the country, noted authors and nationally known experts will exhibit and sell their collections. Dining and free parking will be available. For online previews, visit www.anticnet.com/M&M.

■ Public tours at Meadow Brook Hall in Rochester are given year-round, 1:30 p.m. daily, and 1:30, 2:30 and 3:30 p.m. Sundays. The hall is closed most holidays, and tour hours may change during special events.

■ The Family Fun Festival, noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29, will kick off the new monthly family fun programs at Meadow Brook Hall. The free event will feature a full day of indoor and outdoor activities focusing on the 1920s, including demonstrations, hands-on activities, live music and entertainment.

■ The Dodge Brothers Motor Car Exhibition is open during regular touring hours now through Sunday, Sept. 30. This special exhibit focuses on John Dodge and the history of the Dodge Brothers Motor Car Company, with archival material from the collection of Meadow Brook Hall never before on view to the public.

Admission is \$8 for adults, \$4 for seniors, \$4 for ages 5-12, free for ages 4 and under. Tours for groups of 20 or more may be scheduled. Advance reservations are required for group tours.

Group rates are available. Tea on Tuesdays is offered 3-4:30 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month in the Christopher Wren Dining Room or on the Loggia Terrace, on the Foxboro. Price is \$30 per person and prepaid reservations are required.

Call (248) 370-3140 for reservations and more information. Visit www.meadowbrookhall.org. Meadow Brook Hall, on the Oakland University campus off Adams, is a 110-room, Tudor-revival style mansion that was the residence of OU founders Matilda Dodge Wilson (the widow of auto pioneer John Dodge) and her second husband, lumber broker Alfred Wilson.

■ Ethan Allen will present a four-part workshop series demonstrating the design process 7-9 p.m. Wednesdays, beginning Oct. 3, at Ethan Allen Home Interiors, 100 Brown Road in Auburn Hills. Registration is limited; call (248) 393-6600 to sign up for one seminar or all four. At the first, *Decorating Overview*, refreshments and door prizes will be featured. Other topics will be *Space Planning and Color*, Oct. 10, *Floor Coverings and Window Treatments*, Oct. 17, and *Lighting and Accessories*, Oct. 24. The series celebrates the launch of *Ethan Allen's New American Style*, a coffee table book that presents a step-by-step process to decorating.

■ Michigan Design Center will present an event for the public, *A House to Call Home*, Oct. 11. Guests may browse the showrooms during an open house 6-7 p.m. Architect Dennis Wedlick, author of *The Good Home*, will give a lecture 7 p.m., illustrating how to allow your home to reflect you and your dreams. A book signing will take place after the talk. Tickets are \$25, and include the open house, refreshments and lecture. Advance reservations are recommended. Send a check made payable to Michigan Design

Center to MDC, 1700 Stutz Drive, Troy, MI 48069. For more information, call (248) 640-4772 or visit www.michigandesign.com.

■ In partnership with WJBK FOX2, all area Art Van Furniture stores will offer discount coupons for the PBS children's show *Dragon Tales*. From Monday, Oct. 1, through Oct. 14, while supplies last, guests may pick up a coupon for \$3 off \$18 and \$14 tickets for the performance 5:30 p.m. Nov. 3 at the Fox Theatre. Coupons are redeemable at the box office or any Ticketmaster outlet.

In support of Deaf Awareness Day, Art Van will sponsor a booth at the Deaf Community Advocacy Network's *Deaf Celebration Day 2001* 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29, at Summit Place Mall in Waterford. Art Van will provide information on interpreting services for the deaf.

■ Jeweler and metalworker Tessa Rickard is this month's featured artist at the Detroit Artists Market Sales Gallery, 4719 Woodward at Forest in Detroit. Call (313) 832-8540. Rickard earned her MFA in metals at Cranbrook Academy of Art in 1999. Her work is a combination of casting, forging and chain mail techniques arranged with found objects to create jewelry, purses, dolls and small sculpture. The objects also are based on her study of the grotesque, symbolism, beatnik, metamorphism, fetishism and fantasy. Prices range between \$100 and \$700. Sales Gallery proceeds provide revenue for participating local artists as well as general operating support of DAM's exhibition and educational programs.

■ Yaw Gallery and Habitat Galleries will be among the participants in the eighth annual International Exposition of Sculpture Objects and Functional Art Friday-Sunday, Oct. 5-7, at Navy Pier in Chicago. For information, call (800) 563-7632 or visit soexpo.com.

■ Cranbrook House, 380 Lone Pine in Bloomfield Hills, is open for walk-in tours 3 p.m. Sundays, now through Oct. 28, for \$10. Walk-in tours are scheduled 11 a.m. and 1:15 p.m. Thursdays, now through Oct. 26. Visitors may include lunch at noon Thursdays for an additional \$15 by making a reservation. Lunch is available only with a \$10 tour. For private or group Thursday lunch and tour reservations, call (248) 645-3147.

After touring the house, visitors may stroll through 40 acres of the surrounding gardens at no additional charge. Tours of the gardens only are \$5 any time 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays-Saturdays, open 11 a.m. Sundays. For guided private and group garden tour rates and reservations, and senior and student discount information, call (248) 645-3147. Free parking is available at Christ Church Cranbrook directly across Lone Pine.

Cranbrook House was the home of Cranbrook founders George and Ellen Booth, principal players in the American Arts and Crafts movement in the early 20th century, and contains beautiful furnishings and works by world-famous artists.

Sarinen House, home of Cranbrook architect Eliel Saarinen, may also be visited; call (877) 462-7262 for times, costs and other information.

■ The historic Orson Starr House, 3123 N. Main, one block south of 13 Mile in Royal Oak, has an open house 1-4 p.m. the second Sunday of each month. Donations appreciated. Private group tours by appointment. Call (248) 588-0170.

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When was the last time you did a tub job? Chances are, you only realize the tub still looked less than stellar.

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Regaling is an option, but only a temporary one. There's no guarantee the finish won't go bad again, and the reglazing process is difficult and involves many dangerous chemicals.

The bathtub could be replaced, but there is even more mess involved, not to mention the cost.

There is another solution, though, and Budget Bathtub Liners Co., with showrooms in Lincoln Park and Madison Heights, has the answer: a new bathtub liner or total complete system consisting of bathtub liner and wall surround system.

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