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Hills Macedonian church launches festival

BY PAUL R. PACE
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For the first time, the Macedonian Orthodox Church, St. George of Kratovo, in Farmington Hills is organizing a Macedonian Ethnic Festival this Saturday and Sunday.

The church, which opened on the

south side of 12 Mile Road just east of Middlebelt about six years ago, invites the public to learn about the Macedonian culture and customs, said church leader George Blisnov.

He said the orthodox church was started as a way for area residents to attend a local place of worship as most Macedonian Orthodox churches are

located on the east side of the metro Detroit area.

"Everyone worked on it," he said of the redesigned church, which was formerly a home.

Church membership is between 75-100, he said.

Blisnov is a Macedonian immigrant who has lived in the U.S. for 33 years

and has lived in Farmington Hills for the past 13 years.

Blisnov's daughter, Stephanie Krstovski, said Macedonia, which is located above Greece, has had its borders narrowed over the years by neighboring Bulgaria, Greece, Serbia and

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Treasurer George Blisnov, vice president Vlado Vidinovski and Stephanie Krstovski welcome local folks to their church's first festival.

Success will serve 50 years on CSC charges

BY BUCK
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Farmington resident Derwin Success was sentenced July 29 before Oakland County Circuit Judge Rae Lee Chabot on seven counts of criminal sexual conduct.

Success, 45, was found guilty June 5

on four counts of first degree CSC and three counts of third degree CSC. The sentence given was 50-75 years on the four counts of first degree CSC and 10-15 years for the three counts of third degree CSC.

"He will serve a minimum of 50 years and a maximum of 75 years," said Assistant Prosecutor Greg Townsend

Tuesday. Success would be eligible for parole after 50 years.

Townsend, who was co-counsel, called this "a despicable case." Cheryl Matthews, who tried the case, left immediately after the conviction to go on maternity leave.

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Candidates find irony in campaign sign thefts

BY PAUL R. PACE
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Candidates running for judge in Farmington area's 47th District Court race say they're equally amazed and disappointed that so many of their campaign signs are being stolen or destroyed.

Complaints from candidates - seven in all - running for the popular seat started more than a month ago. Missing signs have only increased, they said, as the ever important primary election to narrow the field approaches Tuesday.

"I think it's outrageous that people running for judge would participate in such juvenile behavior," said candidate Larry Leib, who said he lost 50 yard signs and 10 4-by-8-foot signs recently.

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Massage therapist uses her techniques on humans, pets

BY BUCK
STAFF WRITER

Sarah Noveckey, a trained myomassologist, has adapted her therapeutic massage techniques for dogs, cats and horses. She recently brought her techniques to 4 Legged Friends Daycare in Farmington, where pet owners signed up their dogs for the service. True Healing, Noveckey's business, offers balanced health for humans and animals.

"I grew up on a farm south of Ann Arbor," she said. "I was massaging and

doing stuff on animals since I was really little. I just didn't know exactly what I was doing."

She helped dairy goats and family dogs with hip problems.

"It seemed to calm them down," Noveckey said. "When I went to massage school, I learned what it does for people. Animals tend to receive it a lot better because they don't have the same hangups and issues."

She makes house calls. "It's a little bit



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Sarah Noveckey massages the muscles of Oliver, who is one blissed-out canine.

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