



ANN GRANTHAM prepares to leave her Schoolcraft College office to begin Peace Corps training with her husband in October.

Peace Corps Training Was Difficult Choice

"We wanted to be rich in experiences, to do many different things. And if we are ever going to do this, now is the time in our lives when we should."

Ann Grantham, who has been student activities director at Schoolcraft College for the summer semester and a counselor there for a year, will enter Peace Corps training with her husband in October.

She agreed to talk about some of the excitement she felt and some of the difficulties in making the important decision.

The Granthams are not yet actually Peace Corps volunteers. The Corps first issues an "invitation to train" for the program, and then after training has been completed, chooses volunteers to be sent abroad.

The couple will be training for Peace Corps posts in

Korea, as teachers of English in Korean schools.

"For me," Ann said, "the most difficult thing about the decision to apply were knowing that I would have to be away from all my friends and family for two years and deciding to quit my job here at Schoolcraft."

"Some days I'm just so excited about the whole Peace Corps idea and then other times I hate to think about leaving here."

The Peace Corps first attracted her attention while she was a student at Western Michigan University, in Kalamazoo. But the application she picked up was left on her desk for several months, and finally tossed in the wastebasket when she became engaged.

Then last spring her husband, who is finishing his last year at the University of Michigan's Dearborn Campus, ran into a table staffed by

returned Peace Corps volunteers.

"He had an exam that morning, but before he went, he told me about the volunteers. I went up to talk to them, and before he finished the exam, I'd taken the language test," Ann said.

"In a way," she added, "I was surprised that Bud was so interested in the Peace Corps. He's a business administration major and at first I thought he might want to begin working right away."

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Bentley High Get An A Plus

If Bentley High School students are still walking with heads up and chin tilted too, it is because of a rare honor that has come

again as a result of its 1967 yearbook, the Pioneer.

The book, edited by Jane Johnson and under the watchful eye of Ray Foster, faculty advisor, the edition was given A plus rating by the National School Yearbook Association.

It was the second consecutive year for the mark of distinction.

The organization explains that "A plus is a rare Special. Excellent score which we apply to the limited few (if any) books in a class to denote that they stand out even above complete and excellent books, in imagination or general all around excellence."

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Alpha Thi Hears Meeting Report

Livonia members of Alpha, Thi will help make a report on the national convention when the Dearborn-Detroit chapter holds its first meeting of the fall Sept. 18.

The meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Rodney Miller, 23712 Sterling, Dearborn.

Reporting on the convention will be Mrs. V. F. Lenz, of Farmington; and from Livonia, Mrs. J. E. Beaudette, Mrs. W. D. Brown, Mrs. F. D. McAllister, and Mrs. Alfred Wolfram.

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Another in a series of summer jazz concerts, the orchestra will be under the direction of Buddy DeFranco. Two shows, each 45 minutes long, will be presented from the Wonderland bandstand.

Performances will begin at 8:45 and at 9 p.m., according to Ernie Epps, promotion director for the center at Plymouth road and Middlebelt.

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ROBIN SPJELDEST strikes a ballet pose in a costume she has worn in previous ballet productions.

Ballet Career Calls Farmington Student

At 15, Robin Spjeldest already has a lot of experiences behind her and a great deal of enthusiasm for the future.

Her great love is ballet. She dances, takes lessons and teaches classes in her basement on Saturdays.

Right now she is involved in setting up the Suburban Concert Ballet Company, a group which the organizers hope will perform with various dramatic and musical events in the area.

Robin, a sophomore at Farmington High, began dancing when she was 10. "I'd tried nearly everything, from drums to singing, so I thought I would add dancing to my list," she said.

Within a year she had her point shoes and by the time she was 13 she was teaching her own classes at Evelyn Kreason Dance Studio, in Farmington.

She wants very much to make a career for herself as a dancer, and hopes someday to train in New York or perhaps London.

"At first," she says, "I didn't plan on college, but dancing isn't really a very practical career. Now I think it would be a good idea to do college work in English literature so I'll have that to fall back on if I can't dance."

Gymnastics is another of her interests, and she once won a junior high talent contest performing on the balance bar with a sprained ankle. "I just made sure there was someone there to spot me if I fell," she said casually.

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