



THE NEWLY CROWNED Miss Teenage Michigan, Colleen Kazak, takes time out from her duties to relax with the family pet, Shadow (Photographed by Douglas Bauman).

## Area Girl named Miss Teenager

By DIANE SANDS

The new Miss Teenage Michigan is Colleen Kazak, a 14 soon to be 15-year old from Rochester.

Selected July 3, in a statewide competition in Big Rapids, Colleen will compete in the Miss Teenage America Contest, Aug. 29 in Miami Beach, Fla.

Colleen entered the contest before moving to Rochester from Lansing a month ago. She was encouraged by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Kazak of 725 Spartan in the University Hills subdivision.

THE KAZAKS hoped the contest would divert Colleen's attention from leaving her friends in Lansing.

Colleen participated in a district competition in Adrian July 5 and was among 12 girls for the state finals.

"I felt that all the girls in Adrian were pretty and had nice personalities. Anyone of them could have been chosen for the title," said Colleen.

"I don't really know why I was chosen instead of them," she said.

AT THE STATE finals in Big Rapids, Colleen was interviewed

about her hobbies, interests and why she wanted to be Miss Teenage Michigan.

One of the questions concerned the generation gap.

"I told them that the generation gap was a communication problem that could be solved by sitting down and talking instead of walking away in a fluster and blaming things on a generation gap," she said.

The judges based their final decision on a combination of scholastic achievement, community involvement, and future ambitions of the girls, as well as on their appearance and personalities.

COLLEEN said she was in a state of shock when she received her crown from William Milliken Jr., son of Michigan's governor.

"I couldn't believe it was happening," said Colleen, who will enter Rochester High School as a sophomore in the fall.

"I will try to present a good image of all the teenage women in Michigan. It's an important responsibility," she added.

Colleen expressed hope that students at her new school will accept her as an equal.

"I AM A LITTLE apprehensive, but I just want to be me," said the brown-eyed teen. She named sewing and dancing as her favorite interests. The slim redhead makes most of her clothes, except for blue jeans, and has been a member of the Lansing Ballet Company for several years.

In addition to her crown and trophy, Colleen won a \$600 scholarship to the Barbizon School of Modeling in Southfield, an evening gown, and china and crystal sets.

## Ford receptionist recalls President

By ROSE WEBER

"A breath of fresh air" — that's what Maryanne Drennan of West Bloomfield Township thinks President Gerald Ford will bring to the nation.

Miss Drennan served as receptionist in the Washington office of then Vice-President Gerald Ford since his confirmation in 1973.

Miss Drennan had been working in the office of Vice-President Spiro T. Agnew before his resignation.

"I had met Mr. Ford and liked him very much so I kept applying for a job in his office," she said.

Persistence paid off and she was hired the day after Agnew left office. Miss Drennan said she was sure

being from Michigan helped because Mr. Ford is very proud of his state.

"THERE ARE a lot of young people on his staff. I think it's really great that he put so much trust in us," she said, "but then he really is young at heart."

Miss Drennan said Friday she was surprised that Mr. Nixon had actually resigned.

"But I know Mr. Ford is prepared and ready to assume the presidency. I felt very sad as I watched Mr. Nixon today. I'm glad Mr. Ford included him in his prayers," she said.

Her experiences with Ford have proved him to be a very sincere man who finds it difficult to hold back his real feelings.

"When he is happy he tells you about it, and when he is angry he does the same. But he is never angry at you, only the situation."

"He is like the man next door, very open and honest," she said.

Miss Drennan resigned two weeks ago to return to her West Bloomfield home to prepare for her wedding.

"I won't be returning to the Washington office because I don't think that's a good way to start a marriage. Mr. Ford arranged with Sen. Robert Griffin's Detroit office for a job for me," she said.

The Fords were invited to her wedding, "but he is obviously going to be too busy."

## Phi Mus attend convention

Four area women attended the 33rd biennial convention of Phi Mu national collegiate sorority Aug. 27 at the Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island.

They are Mrs. Ralph A. Lindgren, Jr. of Farmington, Detroit Phi Mu alumnae chapter president; Mrs. Peter G. Lehr of Orchard Lake, Detroit Phi Mu west group chairman, and Mrs. Levy Tindal and Mrs. Richard Anderson of Lathrup Village.

Awards presented to the Detroit Alumnae Chapter for the 1972-74 biennium were Honorable Mention for

Best Program and for Improvement in Collegiate-Alumnae Relations with no collegiate chapter in the city.

Guest speakers at the convention included John Walsh of Project HOPE and Mrs. L. Dennis Foxworthy, immediate past chairman of National Panhellenic Conference.

A collegiate Carnation Queen was selected during the convention. The winner, chosen on the basis of scholarship, activities, appearance, college honors, and sorority service, received

a scholarship to assist in completing her college education.

The 1974 convention is the third Phi Mu has held at Mackinac in the past 22 years. Ten years ago, at the same convention site, the first \$1000 gift was donated from Phi Mu to Project HOPE, adopted by the sorority a year earlier as its national philanthropy.

In the decade since, Phi Mu and their friends have contributed over \$155,000 in support of Project HOPE's medical teaching and treatment programs over the world.

## Hadassah sets first meeting

Mrs. Jerome Kaufman, chapter president of Metropolitan Detroit Hadassah, has announced the chapter's opening meeting of the year to be held at 12:15 p.m. Sept. 3 at Temple Beth El, Telegraph and 14 Mile Road in Birmingham.

The featured speaker will be Ruth Gruber, author, foreign correspondent and authority on the Middle East. Dr. Gruber is the author of ten books, five of them on Israel.

Mrs. Anna Hamilton at the Lahser Hills Nursing Home in Southfield was 101 years old Sunday.

A birthday party for Mrs. Hamilton was celebrated at the nursing home.

As foreign correspondent for the New York Herald Tribune, she covered the story of Israel from its birth to the present, and as a columnist for the Hadassah magazine, she is the author of "Diary of an American Housewife" and "Reporter at Large."

Dr. Gruber's subject will be: "On the Front Lines of Israel, Russia and Vietnam."

Mrs. Jack Solway of Bloomfield

Hills is chairman of the day. Committee members include: Mrs. Nathan Soberman, Detroit; Mrs. Milton Heller, Birmingham; Mrs. Harold Hoffman, Detroit; Mrs. Ivan Meisner, Farmington Hills; Mrs. Norman Rosenfeld, Detroit; Mrs. Samuel Schiff, Birmingham; Mrs. David Schurgen, Southfield; Mrs. Bernard Stollman, Southfield; Mrs. Julius Young, Bloomfield Hills.

Dessert and coffee will be served.

## 101-year-old celebrates a birthday

Mrs. Anna Hamilton was born Anna E. Kennedy in Detroit on Aug. 4, 1873. She married Ellis Flint Denison in 1890. Three of the eight children born of that union are still living. Ellis Denison died in 1923 and Anna

married Sam Hamilton in 1942. He died in 1959.

Presently, Mrs. Hamilton has 12 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and 28 great-great-grandchildren.

## Hadassah initiates fund raising drive

The Metropolitan Detroit Chapter of Hadassah will inaugurate its Special Gifts Fund Raising Drive at a noon luncheon for workers Monday, Aug. 19 at the home of Mrs. Marvin Fleishman of Bloomfield Hills.

Mrs. George Weingarten, chapter fund raising vice-president, said that

Hadassah raises most of its funds through this campaign to carry on medical and humanitarian work in Israel.

Mrs. Albert Kaplan of Southfield is special gifts chairman and Mrs. Peter Martin of Southfield is chairman of the day.

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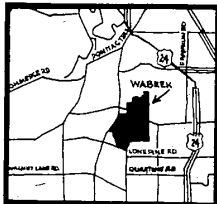
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