

Sheepskins are no passport to real world

By NANCY HAMILTON

College students who graduated this spring are finding it difficult to break into the real world.

Not knowing how long the wait for a job in their field will be, many graduates will pick up a part-time job and spend their off hours looking for the "big break."

While waiting, Carol Wood of Southfield has started to interview for part-time jobs.

"I just applied at Bavarian Village Ski Shops," she said. "I'm kind of discouraged — you get to that point."

Ms. Wood received her master's in speech and pathology at Eastern Michigan University this spring and since then has been sending out resumes and interviewing.

"I've been to four or five interviews and they say they will get back to me. I haven't looked into any local placement agencies yet because I wanted to do it on my own," she said. "I was told to give it six months."

Searching for work in schools and hospitals, Ms. Wood has called hospitals, looked in newspapers and checked leads from friends. She said she hasn't received much help in job placement from EMU.

Jane Wilsner is working temporarily in a Southfield office while waiting to hear from institutional food services.

"I'm quite discouraged," she said. "I like institutional food service but I don't want to jump into it. Once my temporary job ends, I'll spend more time looking."

Wesley Shea went back to school to receive his master's in social work from Wayne State University. He said the waiting is discouraging for him.

"I've been to a number of interviews, but firms don't make their decisions right away."

Shea said that he went back to school because working in industry was good money but not what he really wanted. "Salaries aren't appealing for me in

social work but I knew that before. I'm discouraged but I know there will be a job for me," Shea added. "I still have irons in the fire." She was waiting for a phone call at the time of the interview.

Graduates are sometimes caught in the middle between temporary jobs and a career of their choice.

Barbara Hawkes said that her daughter, Catherine, is caught in limbo after receiving her bachelor's in art at Central Michigan University.

"She is waitressing 20 hours a week and painting the rest of the time," Mrs. Hawkes said. "She is planning on moving to an art community in Massachusetts this fall. Catherine is not discouraged, just says that she needs to have time," her mother said.

Jeanne Clelland has just returned to Southfield from Kalamazoo and is finding out that job hunting is a lonely business.

"I have sent out quite a few resumes and will be interviewing shortly," she said. "Job placement is poor at Western Michigan University — you have to find it on your own."

Traveling may be a part of the search for a career or for relaxation before starting a new job.

Richard Gasparian, who received his bachelor's degree in theater from WMU, left last week for six weeks of intensive course study with the London Academy at New York University.

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Business majors seem to have a choice as to which job they will accept.

A Southfield graduate of CMU who interviewed on campus found himself being contacted for a job as an accounting analyst with a large accounting firm.

"I was on a waiting list — they made the first step," he said. "I've heard

photographs, or other media. For a \$3 entry fee, an artist may submit as many as three designs to the juried show.

A public opening reception will be held Saturday, Aug. 18, 8-9 p.m. at the Detroit Focus Gallery, 1010 Beaubien, Detroit.

Gallery phone is 962-9025, noon to 9 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday.

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business is the best field to be in. I accepted the job offer in March so I could lay back and enjoy the rest of school."

Depending on what field one chooses, finding a job can be easy or difficult.

"A lot depends on what field. In busi-

ness my friends didn't find it too tough," Lynn Wilsner said. She majored in marketing at CMU and after four or five job offers accepted a position at the National Bank of Detroit.

In general, most graduates see their

first year as a training period.

A newly hired accounting analyst Johns Hospital. She hopes the year-long sees his job as a good stepping stone program will help prepare her for with a lot of training. He plans on using medical school.

A management trainee at a bank land the first job, getting the proper his firm's tuition refund program. Getting accepted into college, struggling which will pay 100 percent after three months, to finance his master's degree internship or volunteer jobs, sending out resumes, interviewing, trying to

sees a lot of opportunity for upward training and then a student is finally movement but will eventually go back ready to launch a career. This whole process can be long and tedious for school.

Deborah Booth is in a training pro- some while enjoyable for others.

Fremont hosts art fair

Two hundred artists from Michigan and surrounding states will exhibit their work at the 14th annual Fremont outdoor art fair Saturday, Aug. 4, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. in the Fremont City Park.

Paintings, drawings, prints, pottery, sculpture, jewelry, weaving, leather, textiles and photography are some of the media which will be shown. Most of the work will be for sale.

Prizes totaling \$1,050 will be awarded including three best of show awards of \$300, \$150 and \$100, a purchase prize of \$150, and \$50 in student prizes.

Ribbons will be awarded to first place and honorable mention winners in each of 12 categories.

The Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp Jazz Ensemble will perform in the bandstand at 1:30 p.m.

Refreshments will be available throughout the day at the food booth operated by the HACS, the Hospital Auxiliary Gift Shop volunteers of Gerber Memorial Hospital.

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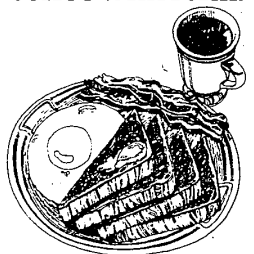
From August 8-14, the artist-operated Detroit Focus Gallery will be accepting entries for its upcoming "Support Detroit Art" T-shirt exhibit on display from Aug. 18 through Sep. 1. The outstanding design will be awarded \$100 and produced for sale through the non-profit gallery.

Entries may be actual silk-screened T-shirts, painted T-shirts, drawings,

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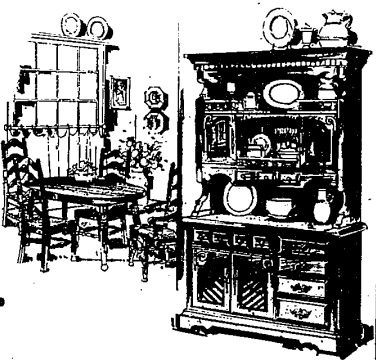
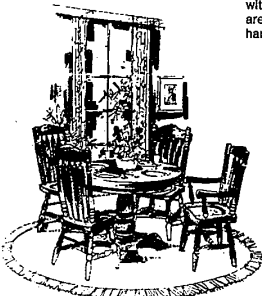
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