

Eighth graders leave money-making legacy

Students in Warner Middle School are generating income of about \$400 a month these days through the use of a newly installed coin-operated photocopier.

"Maintenance and supplies are paid for from the revenue, but the rest of it goes toward whatever activities are planned by the student council," said Jim Sutherland.

Sutherland was assistant student council advisor for Warner Middle School during the 1980-81 school term when the eighth graders were seeking the ways and means of leaving a gift to the school.

The council had two criteria. "They wanted to leave a gift that would help the students perform better in school and something that would not be expected to come out of school funds," Sutherland said.

The upshot of that was a two-week candy sale that grossed \$7,400 and then the purchase of a Sharp Copier, secured at wholesale price, that is now spilling out 400-500 copies a month at 10 cents each.

"SEVEN THOUSAND dollars worth of candy is an awful lot of candy," Sutherland said. "We would never have sold that much without the kids and their parents, relatives and all the support we got from the community."

"But this wasn't done in a slap-dash manner."

He explained that the student council first arranged for lessons in fund-raising techniques.

Then, when the group decided on the purchase of a photocopier as its gift, arrangements were made to research different manufacturers' products.

One of those products, as it turned out, could be secured at wholesale from Chuck Shottroff, owner and operator of Copyer Showrooms in Southfield, and father of Jeff and Ted Shottroff who were hawking candy for the fund-raiser.

"It's a flexible machine that does a lot of things," Sutherland said.

"And after the copier was put in place, Shottroff added another gift to us; a plaque that commemorates the students and their parents who sold and bought all that candy."



RANDY BORST/staff photographer

Pam Rubin and Sherri Jaffe (in center) were both members of Warner Middle School's student council when plans were made and carried out to buy a photocopier for the school. They are flanked by Ray

Naglik, a teacher at Harrison High School, and Jim Sutherland, a teacher at Warner, on their left; and by Chuck Shottroff on their right. Shottroff enabled the eighth graders to buy the copier at wholesale price.



m.m. memos

Margaret Miller

Is it an identity crisis?

My mother-in-law was a lovely lady. She wore neat housedresses and cardigan sweaters and she kept her silvery hair neatly waved and held in place by an invisible net.

Grandma Miller provided warm hugs and extra story hours for the small girls of our family when she visited us for a few weeks a couple of times a year.

In those visits she also plowed through the piles of ironing I managed to accumulate, and she washed even higher piles of dishes. We used to tease her about her tendency to jump up and start clearing the table almost before everyone was finished eating.

She kept the teakettle warm — always insisting on using a tea bag at least twice.

SHE EMBROIDERED pillowcases for us and she crocheted an endless stream of table mats and other household decorations. She also loved to read and she had many television favorites.

She worried a bit about the latter,

because she feared she was wasting time when she tuned in her soap operas. But she commented frequently that she didn't "teach," which I guess meant gossiping over teacups, so she permitted herself the luxury of the soaps.

She lived with a cough that came from illness of harder years, and she had many stories to tell about her happy childhood in more simple times. She told us sometimes about her experiences with Grandma Miller, her husband's mother.

GRANDMA MILLER has been gone more than a decade now, but, of course, she's often in our thoughts.

When someone talks about daytime television, someone else remembers watching the soaps with Grandma Miller. When we have a family dinner and it's time to think about clearing the table, someone may mention that Grandma Miller would have had the dishes done by that time.

When a teabag is about to be tossed out, we remember that Grandma Miller would have made it last another cup or two.

And as I've struggled once more to learn to crochet, I've thought about the ease with which she handled that kind of needlework.

RECENTLY I mentioned to the daughter who has made us grandparents that someday I hoped to be able to crochet without looking like Grandma Miller.

Her answer was startling. "Don't forget," she said, glancing at her small daughter, "that now you're Grandma Miller."

The concept made me burst into laughter. But I guess I don't mind the idea at all.

I never went for the soaps and the housedresses wouldn't fit, but I could do a lot worse than emulate the sweet nature of the lady inside.

Nursery takes registrations for fall term

Sunshine Nursery School, located in Faith Covenant Church, 14 Mile and Drake roads, is now taking registrations for 3- and 4-year-olds who will be entering the fall sessions.

Classes run on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, both in the morning and afternoon.

Parents and children are welcome to visit on any school day. Appointments may be made by calling Sheila Wade, 661-2126.

'Food Process Magic' classes start Feb. 25

Vince McCallum and his staff from McCallum Associates will teach "Food Process Magic" in a four-session class Thursdays beginning Feb. 25 in Farmington Community Center. A class will

begin at 1 p.m. and another at 7 p.m.

The food processor frees today's cook from tedious kitchen tasks. It can be an answer for those who are looking

for shorter, more efficient ways to make culinary discoveries.

The course will tackle important techniques of slicing, shredding, chopping and blending as well as making

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