

Budding composers capture top spots in state competition

Two Farmington area 12-year-olds took the first and second place prizes in the 1982 Michigan Junior Composers Contest

Contest.
Taey vied in the contest's junior divi-sion for 12-15-year-olds.
Laurie McKinnon, a student at Warner Middle School took the first place honors, and Caroline Semerjian, a student at Power Middle School came in second

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"American Adventure."
Caroline's win came for her plano piece called "The Fog."
Both of the young composers have studied plano for five years.
Caroline studies plano with Elenora Skillman. Laurie studies plano as well as composition with Slabey.
The contest is a yearly event, sponsored by Michigan Federation of Music Clubs.
Laurie and Caroline were among the guests of honor, performing for the federation at its end-of-the-competition's "Junior Day," given this year at Albion eration at its end-of-the-competition's "Junior Day," given this year at Albion

College.

The two will perform their winning pieces again this week when they are guests of Royal Oak Arts Council.

Gazebos are definitely an 'in' thing

One of the nicest things about springtime is "looking forward." There are
those of us who feel the day can't begin without a walk around the garden
and yard. This habit sort of takes care
of those right and left turns in life.
Near your back door you right all the
to secure a few chimney pots and individually with herbs which are
spreading root habits which the
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you have some lounge chairs, you
might like to attach a shelf and have
some flower pots attached to the wall
with posey clay. The choice of flowers
would be dependent upon the light factor. Varigated vinca vine is good, also
woo compatible colors of geraniums.
Just make it have style with the plan
thoice.

Many of you live in condos where
you have small intimate enclosed gardens. Secure a large, old fashloned
washiub and fill with water. Irregular
flat paito blocks are nice along the perimeter to give a natural effect. Place
some rocks in the bottom the size of a
lift for interest. You may wish to have
some soldfish if you can keep the racoors and cats out of the area.

If you have give hours of sun a day
you can have valer-lilles (Threes Springs.

down to earth Alice **Burlingame**

joy active water in your pool. For the best effect, don't overcrowd — so the sky can be reflected. Remember fish alwaye to be fed.

A pool painted black or midnight blue has style. As a backforp, if the location has space, you might like to have an upright plant, not to tall, but to give a sort of three foot curtain to the nool composition.

Gazebos are "in" folks. Not that we are following the trend of a civic gazebo like Franklin Village, but verry flower show I've attended this year has pushed this artistic accent which offers a pleasant site for relaxing on lazy summer days. They can be bought in kits or made by a carpenter. Can't you see, we are getting back to Victorian accents in our gardens.

Music school plans benefit

The 100-voice Rackham Symphony Choir and the Detroit Sinfonia Orchestra will play a benefit performance at 8.15 pm. May 15 in Ochestra Hall. They will perform Haydn's "The Creation." for the Detroit Community Music School, a non-profit organization which has been giving music and dance lessons for 56 years.

cost \$30. Reservations should be made by May 12 for the dinner.

Call the school at 831-2870.

Some people have been inquiring about growing vegetables where full sun isn't available. Leafy vegetables such as lettuce, spinach, endive, etc and vegetables grown for their roots evem to do fine in partial shade. Guess we who have been in the country think there isn't anything like full sun, but Michigan State sanctions the above suide.

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You have probably noticed that there's a new world in the use of coles to your garden. Here you have an anunal which can give the colors of an ori-cutal rug. These plants will grow horizontally in a massed collection or as a border in an intimate garden. They give an elegant effect if different patterned specimens are planted at the base of a large rock, just like a colorful rug — and they grow low.

Be sure to plan to attend the annual spring herb sale of the Herb Society of America, Franklin Community Church, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. May 13. There you can hobnob with the specialists who can give you guidance in herb use for fragrance, cooking, dyeing, landscaping as well as bow to use in a willfollower gar-



Ball to benefit Harper-Grace

The Grand Prix Ball, sponsored by Harper Hospital Auxiliary, is set for Friday, June 4 in the Edea and Eleanor Ford House in Grosse Points byres. The event will benefit the Radiation Oncology Center in Detroit Medical Center, operated by Harper-Grace Hospitals. The auxiliary has pledged to raise \$200,000 over a period of five years to aid the center, recognized by National Cancer Institute as one of the finest in the country.

Y offers 5-day a week program for youngsters

Parents making plans for their children summer activities are asked to consider the Northwest Branch YWCA "Summer Adventure" for 6-12-year-

ds. The program, held in the YWCA, 25940 Grand

The program, held in the YWCA, 29940 Grand River, will meet five days a week 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. June 21 to Aug. 27. Parents who work will be interested in the fact that arrangements can be made to drop children off as early as 7 a.m. and pick up as late as 6 p.m. The program includes cook-outs, swimming, sports, crafts, movies, reading enrichment and a variety of activities planned jointly by counselors and participants. There is also a three-day-a-week plan available for those who do not wish to participate in a daily plan. Registrations may be made weekly which allows for flexibility around vacations and early registration is advised.

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For further information on all YWCA programs for youth and adults, call 537-8500.

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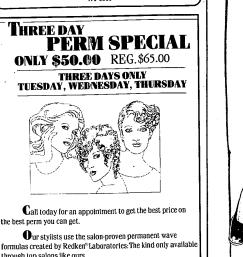
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