

Rhubarb heralds a garden harvest

Former title holder will vie for another

This Saturday, Karen Morris of Farmington Hills will take the first step along a path that could lead to the Miss Junior Teen of Michigan title.

Morris, 10, will be among the contenders for the titles of Miss Sophisticated Model and Miss Continent Model in a pageant which will be staged in Willow Run High School Saturday by North American Productions and Pageant Systems. The pageant is a qualifier for the Miss Junior Teen of Michigan pageant, set for May 25-29 in Fairlane Town Center Mall.

Morris already holds the title Junior Teen Sophisticated Model of Michigan, and once was Little Miss Michigan. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Morris and is a student at Woodcreek Elementary School.

Karen is now a professional model who has been traveling for pageant competitions since she was 4. She studies Hawaiian and Tahitian dance with Julianne School of Dance in Clawson and still finds time to baby-sit and play baseball.

If she comes up a winner in the state competitions this spring either as title holder or runner-up in any category, she'll be in Louisville, Ky., in July for the national competitions.

One of Karen's new sponsors in the pageant is Sammy Senha of The Grape Vine in Farmington Hills.



Karen Morris

Some like it hot, some like it cold, but whichever, Canadian Red Rhubarb is delicious as an "opener" for the garden harvest.

Just wash and chop in thin slices, boil in water about one inch about the fruit until it is soft. Add sugar to your taste and as a bonus, the juice of half a lemon.

Three rhubarb plants will supply a family of four and some to spare for a friend. There is a yellow beetle that might puncture the stems. Look for them and pick them off. Stem rot might cause soft stems which means there is a bacteria in the soil. If this occurs, dig up the plants, destroy and next season start with fresh plants in a new location.

To be sure that snails don't visit the leaves, I pour sand or ashes around the plants as snails don't like to crawl over ashes or sand.

TODAY, I AM planting onion sets to be sure there is a fresh onion handy when that plus taste is needed for a salad or general cooking. Just purchased a large garlic bulb. It will be broken up and planted in its natural sections with the pointed end about an inch below the surface in a sunny, out of the way spot.

These potted geraniums which have been nurtured all winter and still in their pots are outside on a stoop. They are being watered with one tablespoon household ammonia in a quart of water to force flowering. They will be snatched inside if there's a rumor of a frost. They will then be planted outdoors the last of the month.

As wildflowers are "in" this year, you might like to evaluate your possi-

down to earth Alice Burlingame

ble site and choose accordingly the seeds best for you. Woodland areas could use trillium, bloodroot, violets, luring anemone, blue phlox, wild geranium, maidenhair fern and hepatica. If your soil is moist, cinnamon fern, lady's slipper, spring beauty, jack in the pulpit and trout lily are appropriate. Notice the seed stands in garden stores are beginning to offer wildflower seeds. Don't "lift" plants from private property, but where there is new construction, ask the builder for permission to dig.

LAST SUMMER, this writer found that a plastic sheet spread the length of the bed where vine crops were to be grown was the ideal way to control weeds and conserve moisture. Squash liked it. At the end of the season, the black plastic was rolled up for use this year. Seeds will be inserted where they were last year.

You have to be careful about using hay or peat moss as a mulch where you are inserting delicate seeds. They can be smothered. You have to wait and mulch after the seedlings are a couple of inches high, then carefully.

Be sure and plan to attend the Cranbrook Greenhouse spring plant sale, Friday and Saturday, May 21, 22 begin-

ning at 10 a.m. There you will see the choicest, unusual plants for your garden and hanging baskets. The volunteer staff has

been collecting indoor and outdoor plants from many sources. Their efforts support the formal gardens which attract visitors to Cranbrook from all over the world. When you buy plants in a flat to transport outdoors, it is well to place them in a lightly shaded area. Water them and wait a day or two before planting to avoid the shock of a new location. Most of the flats you buy have been grown in a greenhouse. The treatment suggested is known as TLC, tender, loving care.

Cancer information line begins service

Governor and Mrs. Milliken placed the first telephone call to the new Cancer Information Service of Michigan, a toll-free telephone cancer information and referral system housed at the Comprehensive Cancer Center of Metropolitan Detroit. The new state-wide service, funded by the National Cancer Institute, is part of a national program of cancer communication network offices which supply information about cancer and cancer-related resources to the general public, cancer patients and families, as well as health professionals.

"I know the complex disease of cancer elicits many questions, and the value of this new service cannot be un-

derestimated. We were happy and to place the first phone call," the governor said.

The Cancer Information Service has a staff of trained, compassionate listeners who give cancer information, provide referrals, send out reading materials, as well as participate in educational projects.

"This will be an excellent system for Michigan's population to learn more about cancer to help untangle the myths and misconceptions about cancer," Jane Hoy, coordinator of the service, stated.

The number for the Cancer Information Service of Michigan is 1-800-482-4999.

Students stage comedy

Neil Simon's romantic comedy, "Chapter Two" will be presented by Cranbrook and Kingswood Schools' theatre department May 21, 22 and 23 at 8 p.m. in the Kingswood School auditorium, 885 Cranbrook Road.

Admission is \$3 for adults, \$2 for with I.D., \$1 for senior citizens and children under 12. Tickets may be reserved by calling 645-3440.

"Chapter Two" is a poignant, funny story about a man's courtship and marriage to another woman after the death of his first wife. Cast members include Paul Kihn and

Christine Greenwalt from Bloomfield Hills; Jefferson Webb II of Birmingham and Maria Schram of Farmington Hills.

Kingswood seniors Amy Smith and Diane Davis, are director and assistant director, respectively.

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