

'Inordinate' need for understanding

Dear Mrs. Green:

My sister-in-law is very interested in graphology and reads your column regularly. She once told me that the first time she saw my handwriting she thought I wrote like that as a joke. Unfortunately, she declined to clarify her statement. Can you explain it?

J.P. Livonia
Dear J.P.:

Today I am not going to break your handwriting down into its components. Because each trait is so interrelated I am going to deal with the total picture or what graphologists refer to as the gestalt.

Your stylized handwriting tells me you are a unique and beautiful person, one who wants to communicate and be understood.

Woven throughout is an inordinate need for love and understanding. Starting as the formative years it seems the parental influence, as you see it, was not unified. The amount of love, or the manner in which it was given, may not have filled your emotional needs.

Extreme restlessness is pervasive throughout your writing. You seem to be constantly on the move. Nervous en-



graphology
Lorene Green

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ergy does not allow you to relax. Change and variety are important. Your aspirations are high and determination is extremely strong. Often it appears that the determination and activity are overdone. Might you be trying too hard in your efforts to prove

yourself to someone? You are an emotional person. These feelings can vacillate quickly and some times without too much reason. Friction is something you dislike. Often you feel you are the one who must appease or acquiesce.

It seems it is difficult for you to bring your innermost feelings into the open and discuss them. Possibly the same would apply to the worry I see here. The thinking seems to be, if I ignore them they will go away.

At the time you wrote your letter you were in a rather negative frame of mind. And I also see you are searching in the abstract area for some answers. Many contemporary books stress the importance of a positive mental attitude. "Psycho-gymnastics", "The Power of Positive Thinking" and "Your Erroneous Zones" are a few that are both inspirational and illuminating.

Note: Some of my readers would like to hear from people who have had their handwriting analyzed through this column. If you are willing to supply me with the feedback from your analysis for use in the column, please enclose a self-addressed envelope with your letter and I will contact you. Send your letter to Lorene C. Green, in care of this newspaper. Use a full sheet of white, unlined paper, and write in the first person singular. Age and handedness are also helpful.

class reunions

- **GOOD SHEPHERD**
The Sisters of the Good Shepherd are planning an alumnae reunion for former students of Vista Maria as part of a people celebration in May. The celebration is part of the Sisters' 100th anniversary of service to the Detroit area. Alumnae should call or write Sister Mary, 20515 W. Warren, Dearborn Heights 48127, or call 271-3050.
- **MUMFORD**
January, June and August class of 1966 graduates of Mumford High School, Detroit will hold a reunion Nov. 28. For more information, contact Joan (Brandes) Lesser, 626-2636.
- **COUSINO**
The 1973 class of Cousino High School, Warren, will hold their 10-year reunion on Oct. 1 at the Barrister House. Current addresses are needed. Call Rick Beaudin, 755-6032.
- **FARMINGTON**
Farmington High School class of 1978 will meet for its fifth year reunion Saturday, June 16, in Roma's of Livonia. Bob Lekovich, a counselor at Farmington High School who was class advisor for the graduates that year, will take reservation inquiries at 474-6156.
- **OUR LADY OF MERCY**
Our Lady of Mercy High School class of 1948 will hold a 20-year reunion luncheon on Saturday, June 4. If you have not been contacted, please call Sara Paterson, 642-8246 or Margie Brenner, 646-1725.
- **HOLY REDEEMER**
The 50th anniversary reunion of Detroit Holy Redeemer High School, boys and girls classes of 1933, will be held on Saturday, June 4 at the Monaghan Council, Knights of Columbus Hall, 18901 Farmington Road, Livonia. Mass will be celebrated in the hall at 5:30 p.m., followed by a social hour. A sit-down dinner will be served at 7 p.m. For more details, contact Jim DeGroot, 647-8150.
- **ROCHESTER**
Rochester High School class of 1978 will hold a five-year reunion 8 p.m.-1

- a.m. July 9 at River Crest, Rochester. For more information or to help locate classmates, call 851-8658 or 651-1641.
- **ANDOVER**
The Bloomfield Hills Andover class of 1973 will hold a 10-year reunion in August. For more information, call 288-9560.
- **SEAHOLM**
Birmingham Seaholm High School class of 1978 will hold a five-year reunion 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 27, at the Kingsley Inn, 1475 Woodward in Bloomfield Hills. For more information, call Bob Robb Jr., 646-7008 or Suzie LaBeau at 646-2543.
- **GIRLS CATHOLIC CENTRAL**
Girls Catholic Central High School class of 1943 will hold a reunion in May. For further information, contact Mrs. C. Kaperowicz Cavanary at 358-

consumer mailbag
Grace Gluskin
of Concern, Inc.

Volunteers may deduct expenses for their work

I never thought much about taking tax deductions for my volunteer work. But since I've been laid off, I've increased the amount of volunteer work I do quite a bit. Can I take the time I spend volunteering off of my taxes?

William W. Canton

A number of tax benefits are available for volunteers under the general charitable contribution deduction of the Internal Revenue Code according to the National Center for Citizen Involvement, but not the value of time donated.

First, the organization you do volunteer work for must have approval as a qualifying organization from the IRS (Internal Revenue Service). If in doubt, ask for proof of tax-deductible status.

Then the following out-of-pocket expenditures may be deducted: direct gifts of money, automobile mileage at nine cents a mile, bus and cab expenses, parking and tolls, special uniforms, telephone bills, entertainment and meals given to others, costs of meals and lodging (if away overnight), travel expenses per diem allowance, tickets to charity benefits above intrinsic value.

The above deductions can be taken by those who itemize their deductions as well as those who take the standard deduction. But those taking the standard deduction may take only 25 percent of the first \$100 in contributions from their 1983 taxes.

A complete description of federal tax deductions for volunteers can be obtained from your local IRS office. Ask for publication 526, Income Tax Deductions.

ECO-TIP: Volunteer Network of Metropolitan Detroit is establishing a task force to study issues that affect volunteers, including tax benefits. For more information, you can write to them: Volunteer Network, P.O. Box 264, Birmingham 48012.

Consumer Mailbag answers your questions. Address mail to Grace Gluskin, 1 Northfield Plaza, Troy 48068.

Phoenix support groups schedule talks for women

"Grant, Schooling and Job Placement - What Whitman Center Has to Offer" will be the topic when the Phoenix Divorce Support Group for women meets 7:30-9:30 p.m. Monday, April 18, at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, Livonia. Sharon Jaska, placement counselor, will be the speaker.

On Tuesday, April 19, Kathy Arpl, M.S.W., from the Feminist Therapy Center, will be speaking to the group on "Assertiveness" and why it is necessary for women to be assertive. This meeting will be at Southminster United Presbyterian Church, 21845 Wick, Taylor, 7:30-9:30 p.m.

Phoenix meetings, sponsored by the YWCA of Western Wayne County, are open to women who are divorced, separated or contemplating divorce.

For information about Phoenix, contact Pamela Cronenwell, YWCA area director, at 561-4110 during business hours.

Diet suspected in cancer

Right now, scientists are not sure about the role eating habits play in cancer. Studies have shown that people who eat a lot of fatty foods and who do not eat much dietary fiber may be more likely to get cancer of the colon.

For more information, call the Cancer Information Service of Michigan, and ask for free booklet, "Cancer - What to Know, What to Do About It." Toll-free, 1-800-482-4939.

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