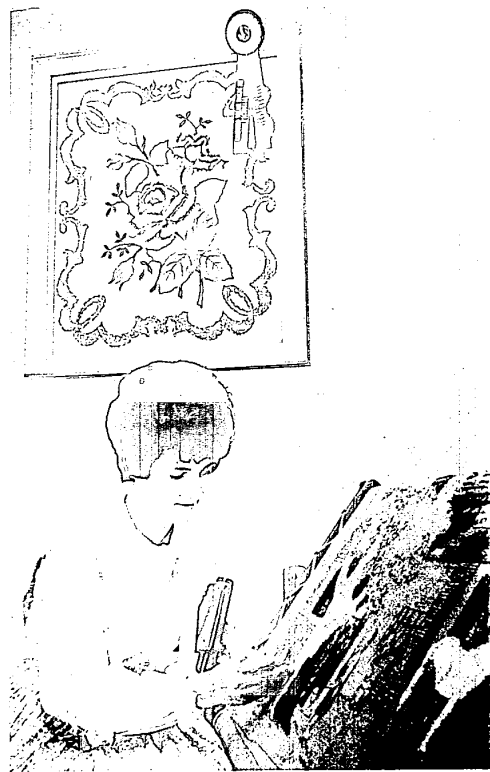


# Spotlight on Women



RUG ARTIST — Jackie Putman puts a few stitches in the hooked rug that is her current big project. Above her hangs her prize-winning work. (Observer photo by Gerry Gatzda)

## Livonian 'Hooked' On Rug Hooking

Mrs. Timothy Putman of Livonia would be the first to admit she's hooked-on rug hooking.

Especially since she surprised herself by winning a ribbon in a recent rug-hooking contest and show held at Greenfield Village.

The rug Jackie Putman submitted in the pictorial division of the competition features three roses that shade from palest peach to apricot, with green leaves shaded the same way. It took second place.

"I was really surprised," its creator said. "Some of the others were so beautiful."

**Northwest Y Plans Camp**

Two day camps are being offered for children in northwest Detroit by the Northwest Family Branch of the YMCA.

Six and seven-year-olds will be involved in a Live Y'er Day camp with activities including archery, crafts, movies, visits to local parks and police stations and special field trips. Youngsters will swim every day and receive basic swim instructions and can spend the night in the Y building.

Other children from eight to 12 years of age will spend the day at Kensington or Bishop Lake through the Athma Day Camp Program. The children will participate in crafts, games, sports and swimming and spend the night in tents on Bishop Lake.

**JACKIE**, wife of a mechanic and mother of four little girls, began to study rug-hooking two years ago with Helen Talent, who teaches the time-honored art in Royal Oak.

Her first project was a set of four small flower pictures.

"I thought I'd start with something small to see if I liked it," she said.

She did, and had the roses ready to enter in the Greenfield Village show this year.

**NOW** in the partly-done stage are two pieces, a geometric design in gray, blue and burgundy shades and large farm scene destined to hang in the dining room of the old home at 1919 Flamingo which the Putmans are gradually redoing.

The scene, on a canvas purchased through Greenfield Village, depicts a red barn with a white horse standing in front of it and a huge green tree at the side. In choosing her colors, she follows closely a colored picture that came with the stamped canvas.

"I'm hoping to get it done for the show next year," she said, "but people who have done it tell me that tree is really hard."

The design on the cloth shows just the outline. The rug hooker chooses the gradations of colors.

"My teacher helps me with that when I go for a once-a-month class," Jackie said.

**MRS. TALENT** also helps her pupils prepare their materials, using white wool flannel and dyeing it to the precise shades needed.

"The dying involves boiling the wool," Mrs. Putman said,

## m. m. memos

Our English language lends itself to lots of improvisation by the kids, so I'll fill this space with a few recent examples.

One we hear quite regularly. Our youngest uses it a lot because she loves "jump-roping."

Another came on our recent trip to a northern lake. We'd been doing a bit of fishing, catching perch, sunfish and smallmouth bass. Miss Eight remembered another species from another vacation spot.

**WHEN ARE WE GOING TO CATCH A BIG-MOUTH BASS?,"** she wanted to know.

My fellow-worker's daughter provided the next example. Her mother was talking with her brother, and the word "prejudiced" came into the conversation. Did the children know what it meant? mother asked.

Small sister was quick with an answer. "It means you're going to have a baby," she said.

And then there was the time we were discussing cookies for a classroom treat.

"I'd rather take bugles," said Miss Eight. We looked puzzled so she tried again. "I mean bagels."

One big sister suddenly understood. "Do you mean bagels?"

"THAT'S it," said our small one, with relief.

—Margaret Miller

## Livonian Heads Drive

Directing the 1970 Torch Drive residential campaign in Livonia and Northville will be a Livonia homemaker, Mrs. William P. Lindhout, of 37655 Margaret.

Mrs. Lindhout has been named a campaign region chairman and also will be responsible for the house-to-house canvass in Northville and Redford Townships.

Her appointment was announced by Torch Drive west unit section chairman Mrs. Frank E. Ouellette, of Dearborn.

"I am delighted Mrs. Lindhout has accepted this important community assignment," Mrs. Ouellette said.

"She turned in outstanding performances in the last two campaigns at the area and neighborhood chairman level. She is an able and experienced volunteer."

Mrs. Ouellette said Mrs. Lindhout will begin immediately to enroll the many workers needed for door-to-door solicitations in the 22nd annual United Foundation campaign.

**THE WORK** is close and time-consuming—Jackie figures it will be nearly two hours to do a space two by three inches. She does a lot of her work in the evening when her husband often is at work.

"I find hooking relaxing," she said. "My teacher said she originally began it as a sort of therapy for nervous tension."

For the Greenfield Village competition, all contestants had to wear a colonial styled dress. Jackie made hers in yellow flowered cotton, and for good measure she made miniature versions for Tracy, nine; Tobl, eight; Terri, six, and Tina, five.

"They were pretty excited having Mother in the contest," she said, "and even more excited when I won a ribbon."

**SEVERAL OTHER** area women also took awards in the competition.

Mrs. Grace A. Dethloff, 11161 Hagerly, Plymouth, won first prize in both the geometric and crewel division.

Mrs. Frances M. Travis, 8880 Canton Center Road, Plymouth, was first in floral designs.

Other winners were Mrs. R. B. Small of 8950 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, third in floral and Mrs. R. W. White, 2530 Five Mile, Redford Township, third in novelties.

Her husband is an architect. They have two children, Dave, 15, and Piet, 11.



MRS. WILLIAM P. LINDHOUT

## Teen Volunteers Help Young, Old

People get alarmed when they hear our natural resources are being wasted, but what about teenagers — are their resources being used?

The squeeze on the job market has left a lot of human resources basking in the sun and moping around on dreary days when they could be putting a few hours a week into helping the underprivileged, handicapped, or the elderly.

The volunteer activities for teens and college students are countless.

**"THERE ARE THOUSANDS** of opportunities, in fact, there is no reason why the mothers should stay home either," according to John Graves, director of student activities at Franklin High School.

Graves is working with the Community Service Program involving more than 100 Livonia teens in various volunteer projects where they can earn one-half credit for 100 hours of volunteering.

While tutoring, working in a hospital or leading recreation at a day camp, the students are chalking up favorable records and are helping other people.

Interested teens can contact the student activities director or at their school and indicate the type of work they are interested in. The director can then place the student almost immediately in some work for whatever amount of time the teen wants to put in.

Livonia has another central volunteer agency called the Human Resources Bank which was organized by Livonia housewives. Hoping to be completely funded by donations from within the community, they are trying to utilize local talent to "help the community help themselves."

One of their upcoming projects is a car wash and benefit show featuring Bozo the Clown to raise money for operations for Susie Krenzel, a nine-year-old Livonian who is battling to save her leg from amputation.

**TEENS CAN WRITE** to Mrs. Patrick Duggan at 1831 Whibby Dr., Livonia, 48152, indicating their interests and talents. Volunteers will be contacted shortly afterwards with places where they can work.

Prominent in the minds of youth and adults today is the increase in drug use. To combat some of the horrors of drug misuse, and with the hope of preventing its spread, volunteers have organized the drug raplines in Farmington and Livonia.

Teens man the telephones, ready to listen to the problems of their peers and help them in any way they can.

The Livonia drug line at 261-DRUG is only funded through August and from then on prospective volunteers can contact the Awareness House at the Livonia Family Y for information on possible work.

Farmington teens interested in working on the Drug Rapline in Antioch Lutheran Church can call 626-2266 for information. All teens are required to take a special brief training program before being qualified to man the lines.

The Oak Hill Nursing Home, 477-3774, and the Farmington Nursing Home, 477-7500, always need volunteers to help the residents in recreational activities and the day-to-day routine.

Volunteers often work on the monthly birthday party for residents whose birthdays are during that month. Residents and their families have cake and punch at the party.

**IN THE DAY PROGRAM** for youth, sponsored by the Riverside Park Nursery and Day Care Center, teens, 14 and over, can help the pre-school residents whose birthdays are during that month. Residents and their families have cake and punch at the party.

A group of Bentley High School students organized over a year ago to spend their Saturdays, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Romulus Action Center leading neighborhood youth in games, relays, art work and field trips. The teens open the center to the young people can use the equipment. Those interested in helping with the activities can call Claudia Armbrust at 421-4267 or Sarah Friedrichs at 427-0222.

Teens can also call the League for the Handicapped at 421-7300 to offer their services in work they recently began opening to volunteers.

If all else fails, the Central Volunteer Bureau on W. Warren in Detroit may be able to place area students.

Thinking ahead to next summer, teens should plan to volunteer earlier to work in places such as the Plymouth State Home and Training School and St. Mary Hospital. Both places have orientation programs in June that are required for volunteer work.

Plymouth State Home, which averaged 250 to 300 volunteers in addition to their staff of 900, will have another orientation program in September. During June, volunteers put in more than 3,600 hours of work helping with recreational activities, field trips and office work.

The Junior Red Cross begins accepting applications for summer work right after Easter and the YMCA's also require early applications.

## Wives Prepare For Fair Booth

The Lawyers' Wives of Livonia have completed plans for participation in the Detroit Bar Association Booth at the State Fairgrounds on Sept. 6 at a recent meeting. The wives also discussed tentative plans for a fashion show, the proceeds of which would be donated to a Livonia charitable institution.

Attending the meeting were: Lillian McCann, Kathy Cook, Lee Kroft, Phyllis Grant, Mary Shippey, Kay Doherty and Joyce Holby.

## Madonna Nuns Attend Course

Sister M. Dvane, Madonna College business manager, and Sister Mary Virginia Drag, the assistant business manager at Madonna, attended the 15th short course in college business management at the University of Nebraska in Omaha.

More than 200 persons from 43 states, Canada, the Philippines and Lebanon attended the course.

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