



Roberts-Rickard

Sandra Ann Roberts and Michael Alan Rickard, both of Detroit, plan a May wedding at Salem United Church of Christ in Farmington.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chester O. Brown of Prescott, Mich., and the late Albert W. Brough. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Rickard Jr. of Nine Mile, Farmington Hills.

The bride-to-be is a 1976 graduate of Farmington High School. She is employed by Kelsey Advertising Specialties Inc. in Livonia.

Her fiancé also graduated from Farmington High in 1976. He is employed at Johnson Building Co. in Livonia.



Trowl-Norton

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Trowl Jr. of Birmingham have announced the engagement of their daughter Susan Elizabeth to Scott Dennis Norton of Birmingham, who is the son of Dolores Norton of Farmington Hills and the late John Norton.

The bride-elect attended Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, where she was affiliated with Gamma Phi Beta sorority. She is employed by Gordon Management Co. Her fiancé is a graduate of Michigan State University and Detroit College of Law. He is an attorney with the law firm of Rockwell and Kotz.

The couple plan an early fall wedding at the First Presbyterian Church of Birmingham.



McCrum-Eder

An August wedding is planned for Katherine Elizabeth McCrum and Daniel Anthony Eden in Bushnell Congregational Church of Detroit. She is the daughter of Joanne McCrum of Farmington Hills and the late Dr. W.R. McCrum, and he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Eder of Jackson.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of North Farmington High School and Michigan State University, employed with Jackson-Hillsdale Community Mental Health. Her fiancé is a graduate of Jackson High School and Eastern Michigan University, employed by Broad Street Market in Hillsdale.

Don't forget to smell the flowers

Vacations are good for the soul. Your columnist spent a month at Green Valley, Ariz., about halfway between Tucson and the Mexican border.

This was my third year of enjoying the tranquility of this beautiful area with mountains and the lower lands that make up the desert. There is quite a colony here from California, Minnesota and Wisconsin, with a sprinkling of folks from Michigan.

For those who like to golf, there are several courses, along with luxurious swimming pools, tennis courts and entertainment. The Tucson Library operates a fine branch.



down to earth Alice Burlingame

Green Valley is a wonderful place to unwind with the advantage of interesting programs, excellent public television and other classes.

What I like especially is the "Think Tank" with people who have lived overseas in the service and are familiar with commerce and world economics.

THE INDIAN tribes are not too far away. The National Observatory promoted by our local Detroit industrialist, Robert McMath, who specialized in astronomy, is nearby. Students and professionals come from all over the world for a three-day experience of viewing the total layout of the Kitt Peak National Observatory. To reach it, you drive up a high mountain.

To study the sun and to protect the eyes, the scientists use a powerful telescope located far below the earth's surface. Keep your mind open as long as you live whether it means studying nature

through the growing of plants on your property, in a wilderness, or in the new developments in science. Endless joys await if you go out and look for them.

Remember to share your perennials with friends. As an illustration, a chrysanthemum clump can be easily divided and shared with new gardeners. These new starts of a chrysanthemum can become a beautiful hedge if planted 18 inches apart.

This is the time to get outside to see the early spring flowers, bulbs, early violets, and wildflowers.

REMEMBER at the end of a day a garden should give you a feeling of relaxation along with its job of producing color and edible food. I seem to be always pushing the idea of having your private, rear garden be a form of personal expression rather than an abundance of this and that.

Drive around town and see what some other people do. If gardening isn't "your thing," seek a good garden designer to develop a gardening plan to personify what you enjoy with plant material. A garden is like a house. It expresses you and your fondness for beauty.

Ballet prepares special show for Mother's Day

"Vivandance" is the name of Michigan Ballet Theatre's 1985 spring performance, with festivities planned in honor of Mother's Day, at 2 p.m. Saturday, May 11, in West Bloomfield High School auditorium, Orchard Lake Road, north of Walnut Lake Road.

There are specially priced tickets available for any group of 10 or more at \$3 per seat. Regularly priced tickets are \$6 for adults and \$4 for students and seniors.

Free flowers will be given to the first 100 mothers in attendance. In addition, anyone wishing to dedicate the performance to his or her mother by listing her name in the program, may do so by advance arrangement with Michigan Ballet Theatre.

The program will feature a variety of dances for all age groups, including several of special interest for young people. All music will be taped. Among the places presented will be "Child-song" which expresses the joys of childhood games through dance and music. The program will also include a world premiere performance, through the gate set by nationally known choreographer Jill Easthorne Bahr, a native of the Detroit area and a former member of Michigan Ballet Theatre.

Michigan Ballet Theatre, whose artistic director is Evelyn Kreson, has been performing continuously for 18 years and is a member of the Mid-States Regional Ballet Association and the National Association for Regional Ballet.

Ticket orders for groups or individuals may be placed by sending all necessary information for processing plus phone number, payment by check or money order and a self-addressed stamped envelope to: Michigan Ballet Theatre, Box 2022, Farmington Hills 48018.

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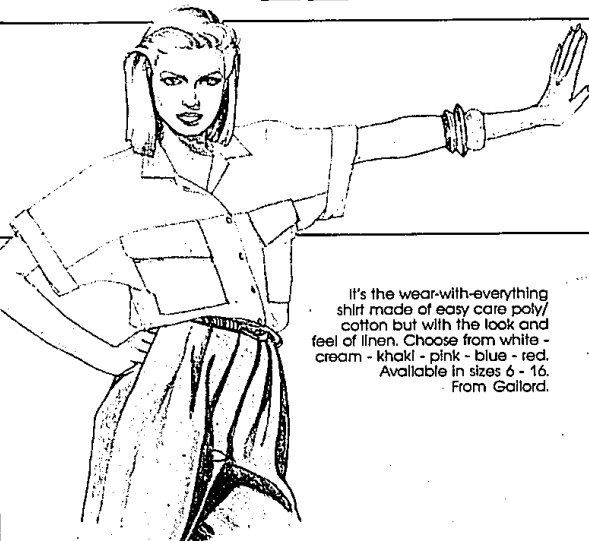
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