

Susan Theresse Talcott and Kevin Corde were married by the Rev. Joseph Esposito in San Bernardino, Calif. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne R. Talcott of Farmington Hills and he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Corde of Ventura, Calif.

The bride wore a Victorian-styled gown of tulle and a chapel train. Linda Talcott served as her sister's maid of honor with bridesmaids Cathy Talcott, Paula Talcott, and Kim Zarkowski. Sarah Eldson served as flower girl. All the bridal attendants wore gowns of pink tulle and lace.

Tyler Corde served as his brother's best man with ushers Ted Corde, Roger Phelps and Don Eldson.

The bride is a graduate of North Farmington High School and Kalamazoo Valley Community College, employed as a dental hygienist. The groom is a graduate of Buena High School, in Ventura and Phoenix Institute of Technology in Arizona. He is employed as an auto service manager and auto mechanic in Ventura.



The couple received guests in Poinsettia Pavilion, in Ventura, before leaving on a wedding trip to the Fiji Islands and Hawaii. They will make their home in Ventura.

Larson-Purcell

Mrs. Ethel Johnson and Robert Larson announce the engagement of their daughter Lynda Elizabeth to Craig Alan Purcell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Purcell of Farmington Hills.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Groves High School and Michigan State University, where she was affiliated with Phi Beta Phi Sorority, and is employed by Yankee Peddler. Her fiancé is a graduate of Harrison High School and Michigan State University where he was affiliated with Sigma Nu Fraternity. He is employed with Wagoner & Associates.

A November wedding is planned in Northbrook Presbyterian Church, Birmingham.



Wagner-Abrams

Lynn Marie Abrams and Steven Richard Wagner were married by the Rev. Howard Cole in Zion Lutheran Church, Ann Arbor. She is the daughter of Eugene Abrams of Carlsbad, Calif., and he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wagner of Ann Arbor.

Laura Stewart-Ledwith served as maid of honor with bridesmaids Cindy Aguirre, Betty Hurst and Deb Wash.

Bruce Wagner served as best man with groomsmen Rick Mabe and Dean Kaskela. Keith Abrams and Steven Abrams acted as the ringmen.

The bride is a graduate of Harrison High School, employed by Mark Video Enterprises in Ann Arbor. The groom is a graduate of Pioneer High School and University of Michigan, employed with Fingerle Lumber Company in Ann Arbor.



The couple received guests in Elks Lodge, Ann Arbor, before leaving on a wedding trip to northern Michigan. They will make their home in Ann Arbor.

A sense of drama is very apparent

Dear Ms. Green:

I have for a long time been interested in what my handwriting means. I have noticed a difference in it, according to my moods. Just lately, the last 6-8 months, I have been wondering why I have suddenly been making my capital "M's" like this. I feel a strong urge to do so.

I retired from a very successful career in real estate in 1982. My hobby and I spend 3-4 months of the year in Florida and the rest of the time in Michigan.

Thank you for helping me to better understand what is happening inside of me.

C.U.
Royal Oak

Dear C.U.:
A woman who desires to experience all you can of what life has to offer is revealed by the many long, full lower loops in your handwriting.

You enjoy people of all persuasions. When relating to others you are friendly and a sense of drama is very apparent. Life with you would not be dull.

graphology
Lorene Green

Some cultural awareness is part of you. Good conversation comes easily. Still you need to be aware of how you can get carried away when telling what you have seen or heard.

A wide left margin confirms the fact you have moved away from a former life style. When this is combined with your long lower loops and wavy baseline, I realize you are probably feeling restless and searching for something new and rewarding.

Retirement may not as yet be furnishing the recognition and positive feedback you previously enjoyed. And you really need this to feel fulfilled. You also appear to be experiencing mood fluctuations. Often these happen

without too much provocation. And you do not understand how they can shift from high to low gear so easily. Seemingly someone is trying to tell you something, but you do not wish to hear it and are turning a deaf ear. Ever present is your need for the

things that represent love and security to you. Strong determination and vitality are valuable for the realization of your goals. And that capital M you mentioned suggests ambition. Any capital letter that grows larger on the right side can translate to ambition when the other factors in the writing confirm it.

You are an independent woman and often tell yourself you don't really care what others think. Your actions suggest the confident person. Yet underneath you may be experiencing some self-doubt that puzzles you.

retirement memos
Margaret Miller

'Care gap' for retirees filled by new centers

Four letters — ACLF — are signaling a new trend in retirement living in Florida.

The letters stand for Adult Congregate Living Facility. Such facilities are starting to be big business in this area in which retirees come in droves. Some estimate the number of arrivals in the state is between 5,000 and 6,000 each month.

ACLF describes, of course, the large, well-managed retirement facility that new is home to a friend Jane, whom I described last week. There are several of these large settings in the Sarasota area, and all have waiting lists.

But the term also applies to many smaller places now appearing. Indeed, the official definition of an adult Congregate Living Facility is a place that provides room and board with personal care to four or more unrelated adults.

There is a wide variety in the kind and amount of care provided by ACLFs. Some involve independent-living apartments, some give nursing-home-style care and there are many somewhere in between.

LARGE RETIREMENT homes have been on the Florida scene for a number of years. The smaller ACLFs are a relatively recent development, and a relatively recent state policy is putting them on the increase.

That policy requires that need be proved before new nursing home beds can be built. So what is happening is that existing nursing homes become places that accept only those in need of

medical care. The elderly who simply are no longer able to care for themselves are turned down.

So enter the ACLFs, licensed but not required to provide need. They are described as filling the "care gap" by providing living places for those too frail to live alone but not sick by medical standards.

THE TREND toward the ACLF has both its critics and its defenders. The former say the average cost — about \$800 per month — puts the ACLF out of the reach of those who need it most. Then there are charges that lack of monitoring and regulation leads to poor management.

Proponents insist that, besides closing the care gap, ACLFs are bringing new jobs and new investment capital to the state.

It is a situation that Joe and I can follow in the newspapers with relative detachment, even though we are retirees. It's our expectation at this point that when the time comes we will follow Jane's excellent example and choose a retirement home.

But for many elderly in Florida, that is not an option. For them, the care must be closed now. The letters ACLF represent an interesting trend.

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