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CAPTURED GLAMOUR

In the finished product, Leigh becomes a pinup girl.



STEVE CANTRELL/staff photographer

The photographer for Captured Glamour sets up a photo in the living-room studio of her house. Leigh said she was having the photos taken as a gift to her boyfriend.

Unlocking the pinup in every woman

By Philip A. Sherman
staff writer

The house looks like any other house set back from the road in Farmington Hills. Nothing about it says this is the business office of Captured Glamour, a studio that specializes in boulevard photography.

A chipmunk was sitting in the bird feeder outside the kitchen window. Inside, the kitchen walls were lined with poster-sized photos of women wearing a little silk and sultry looks.

There was one photo of a man, without a shirt, lying on his side.

He was wearing jeans.

All were samples of the work done by Jean and Carol, owners of Captured Glamour. With them in the kitchen was Leigh, one of their clients from Birmingham. She was drinking ice water and commenting on the picture. Jean and Carol had taken of her for her boyfriend.

In her photo, which was on the kitchen counter, Leigh was wearing a nice smile, two large white feath-

ers, a little lace ruffle and stockings. She's one of more than 110 women from Birmingham, West Bloomfield, Farmington, Livonia and many other communities who have come to Captured Glamour to, as Jean put it, "be turned into centerfolds."

"I really feel that every girl has a fantasy to look like a centerfold. The girls that come here know their men are going to love it," Jean said.

To avoid unwanted visits, Carol

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Check any business out

Before she went to Captured Glamour to have her picture taken, you can call. Leigh said she called the Farmington Hills police to make sure the photo studio was legitimate. Police departments, Farmington Hills' included, are not in the business of endorsing businesses. If you

have a question about any business, call The Better Business Bureau, 962-7566.

With the above information, you can call the local chamber of commerce to see if the business is a member, and you also can call the local city clerk's office, to see if it is licensed.

Friend in need Senior Companion of the Year has ready smile, helping hand

By Lorraine McClish
staff writer

Theresa Vestevich has won the title "Senior Companion of the Year" in Oakland County. The Farmington Hills resident is so com-

mitted to the seniors-helping-seniors program she could have taken the honors on her enthusiasm for the job alone.

"Even on days when you don't feel much like you want to go to work, I go. The people I visit look forward to seeing me every day. They expect

the visit and when I don't show up, it's a big letdown for them," she said.

"I've worked in Baptist Manor, Farmington Nursing Home and now Williamsburg (Convalescent Center). It's the same everywhere. There is always the resident who has relatives coming in twice a day, and there is always the resident whose relatives send in the check for the monthly payment and nothing else. We're here for those people."

When Vestevich says "we," she's talking about her fellow senior companions who are working under the Senior Companion Program, established in 1974. The program allows older adults to earn \$116 a month for a 20 hour-a-week "volunteer" job.

Vestevich, with five other senior companions, car pool to Williamsburg five mornings a week. Each has four clients they visit for an hour each.

It was her fellow senior companions who nominated and elected her "Senior Companion of the Year." She says she can only guess why.

"I think it's because I get matched up with some of the toughest ones, the edgy or the most difficult to get along with, the ones who have to be handled with a little bit of humor."

"I can't remember ever getting mad on the job, even when things were trying. You have to use a lot of humor — when it's appropriate, of course — and be serious when that's appropriate," she said.

Vestevich, 70, was widowed when she was 31 and went to work as soon as the youngest of her six children began kindergarten. She retired 11 years ago from her job as supervisor of the mail room in Detroit Deopathic Hospital, and moved from Highland Park to Farmington Hills.

It was five years ago that she responded to a small article in the Farmington Observer, submitted by Catholic Social Services of Oakland County, asking for older adults who were willing and able to share some time with someone in need of a companion.

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RANDY BORST/staff photographer

Sophio Migoraki, a resident of Williamsburg Convalescent Center, gets regular visits from Theresa Vestevich of Farmington Hills who was voted by her counterparts as "Senior Companion of the Year" in Oakland County.



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