

House painters

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 an abandoned house. This year he used an old barn in South Lyon for that purpose.
 "They have to pass certain tests," he said.

WHEN BOTWICK assumed the responsibilities for the three-year-old Farmington franchises last year from Todd Mülberger, also a North Farmington High School graduate, he returned every weekend from college to attend training sessions, hire new painters and basically take care of business. It proved especially difficult at tent-taking times.

"Student Painters are good in that way. They stress over and over, not to neglect school. There's plenty of time in the summer," he said.

But Botwick wanted to get a head start. He found that the benefits related to the job are directly related to the amount of time a person is willing to put into the job. When college study is added to that, it adds up to long hours.

"You have to be one of those Donald Trump kind of individuals. You have to be willing to put in 10- and 20-hour days, getting up at 6 a.m. and not going to bed until 1 a.m."

MARKETING THE name of Student Painters and estimating the cost of the job is one objective. Convincing people that he is a professional is another.

"You have to convince people that you are not going to come in and ruin their house," Botwick said.

That's the first hurdle Botwick has to face when soliciting new jobs. "We're professionals," he said. "I'm 20 years old as opposed to a guy that has been doing it all his life. We're serious and we put a two-year guarantee on all of our work."

PREVIOUSLY, BOTWICK spent his summers in typical student jobs. "I worked in restaurants, slinging hash and I was an ice cream man."

one year. That was awful. You're dealing with 6-year-olds and irate parents."
 This job is an improvement, he said.

Botwick is not allowed to book painting jobs in another student's jurisdiction. His area encompasses Eight Mile to 14 Mile and Inkster to the border of South Lyon, he said.
 "It's a big area. There's no shortage of work."
 Managers exchange information and tips, though.

STUDENT PAINTERS is licensed with the state of Michigan, maintains a \$1 million liability insurance policy, is covered under the state's Workmen Compensation program and is a member of the Better Business Bureau.

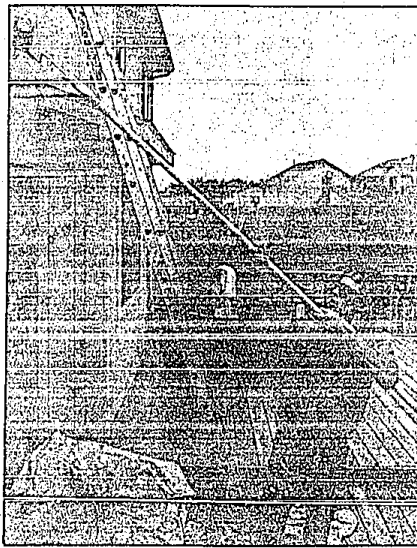
According to Botwick, the foreman on the job is not allowed to move to the next job site until he gets the written permission of the customer, specifying that the job was completed to his satisfaction.
 He has two four-man crews.

Botwick uses Glidden and Sherwin-Williams paint. Student Painters sets up a line of credit with its franchise owners at Glidden and Sherwin-Williams stores.

"I ALSO wouldn't have been able to do this without my mom's help," Botwick said. "She's written me a few checks, so I am indebted to her. She works in the business world so she knows how hard it is."

His mother is Judy, a corporate manager for information services for the Detroit Medical Center. His father is William, an attorney for General Motors. Botwick has a sister, Dana, 15, a student at North Farmington High School.

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 Botwick would like to increase his business. For more information, call him at 1-800-543-3792.



Bob Rivera, an employee of Student Painters and a Redford resident, will be a freshman at Michigan State University this fall.

Troop 179 serves at extravaganza

Boy Scout Troop 179, sponsored by the First Presbyterian Church of Farmington Hills, participated in the Farmington Hills Outdoor Extravaganza at Heritage Park on June 11 by serving samples of freeze-dried hiking food to the public.

The food was donated by The Benchmark of Farmington and Richmond Corp., the manufacturer of the lightweight camping food "which is pretty tasty once you get used to the idea that it was prepared with just hot water," according to Pete Johnston, troop guide.

Devon M. Bodoh a Farmington Hills junior assistant Scoutmaster said that there's nothing better or lighter to carry in a backpack for a good easy meal.

Julianne Hovanessian, a Farmington Hills resident, sampled the dishes which ranged from beef stroganoff to apple brown Betty.

"The food's taste and quality was comparable to home cooking. Compliments to the Boy Scouts for offering these fine dishes for campers."

The Outdoor Extravaganza, which was organized by David Justus of the Farmington Hills Department of Special Services, Recreation Division, also featured a tent display and canoe and kayak demonstration by the Benchmark, wildlife art, guided nature walks, a taxidermy display, a National Rifle Association youth clinic, hay rides and a fish preparation clinic.

Mike Moran, a Farmington Hills resident and assistant Scoutmaster, answered questions about high adventure backpacking from his considerable experience in mountain climbing.

club circuit

HILL AND DALE GARDEN CLUB hosts a summer workshop on the art of bonsai tonight in the home of Elaine Gunderson, 33678 Colony Park Drive, Farmington Hills. Workshop fee is \$10. Guests may make reservations with the hostess at 553-8223.

Bonsai designer Dean Atkinson will instruct and assist the participants in the creation of a bonsai tree and its maintenance. Atkinson has been a member of the Ann Arbor and Four Season Bonsai Clubs for several years.

Participants must provide their own two-gallon size tree, a San Jose juniper, a cranberry coloneaster or procumbens juniper. Tools and wire will be provided by the instructor.

BETHANY NORTHWEST meets at 8 p.m. Friday in Our Lady of Sorrows Church Social Hall, 23615 Powers Road. Speaker for the evening is a representative of the American Lung Association.

Questions are taken by the group's president, 471-2708.

FARMINGTON EIWANIS celebrates its 50th anniversary at noon Friday in Sweden House, in Uplown Center, Grand River west of Orchard Lake Road. Reservations and inquiries are taken by Lloyd Smith, 474-2431.

DETROIT STORY LEAGUE meets at noon Saturday, July 15, in the home of Dingly Sharp, 3229 Adele Terrace, Union Lake. Guests may call the hostess for directions at 363-3615. There is no charge for meals.

Six storytellers for the day tell tales with the theme, "The Wanderlust." Ruth Kroepel, a Farmington resident, leads the storytelling workshop for the day called "Learning the Story."

Members and guests bring their own bag lunch. Beverages and desserts will be furnished by the hostess and her assistants for the day, Violet Altschuler of Plymouth and Rose Farber of Birmingham.

The league is a service organization that provides storytellers for schools, churches, libraries, clubs and other organizations upon request for adults and children. To place a

request, call Mary Beth Janlose in Royal Oak, 549-4268.

NATIONAL SCOLIOSIS FOUNDATION, Michigan Chapter, meets at 7:30 p.m. the third Monday of every month in Classroom A, in the South Tower, 10th floor, of William Beaumont Hospital. Patients of all ages and their parents are always welcome.

Inquiries are taken by the foundation, based in Madison Heights, 398-6346.

AMERICAN MARKETING ASSOCIATION, Detroit Chapter, meets at 6 p.m. Tuesday, July 18, in Southfield Embassy Suites.

Speaker for the evening is Joseph Schlunk, executive of American Franchise Association. His topic is "Franchise Marketing Systems Issues."

Reservations and inquiries are taken by Kay Bonnici, 569-7095.

WELCOME WAGON of Farmington and Farmington Hills invites newcomers to a Welcome Office at 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 19, in the home of one of its members.

Club membership and activities, including 20 special interest groups, will be discussed.

Interested people may call Charlotte Leitch, 851-2137.

ANTIOCH SINGLES GROUP, affiliated with Antioch Lutheran Church on the corner of Farmington Road and 13 Mile, meets at 7 p.m. Friday, July 21, for an evening in Dakota Inn Rethakeller.

Reservations must be made by Wednesday, July 19, by calling the church office, 626-7006.

WESTSIDE SINGLES meet for a dance party at 8 p.m. Friday, July 21, in Livonia Elks Club, Plymouth Road east of Merriman. Admission is \$4 at the door. The singles hot line is 562-3170.

All club news and announcements for this column are to be addressed to Club Circuit, Farmington Observer, 32303 Grand River, Farmington 48024. The information must arrive before noon on the Monday before Thursday publication.

Snappy young computer

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 ing diet and exercise, Lowen said. So there I was with my computer print out and a weak lattissimus dorsi. Lowen spotted the weak muscles on my Metrecon sheet which was probably graded C.

"Just relax," he said as he cradled my head in his hands. Using acupuncture he turned my head quickly. I heard a loud "crack" ring through my ear. Suddenly, that nagging little pain that crept through neck was gone. That sharp ache in my left leg was history.

I may not be "Miss Perfect Posture" after all, but my lattissimus dorsi has never felt better.

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