

obituaries

ELAINE CAROLYN MILLER

Mrs. Miller, 64, of Farmington Hills died March 7.

Born in Flint, Mrs. Miller was a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband, Floyd; sons, David and Douglas; daughters, Karen Elaine and Nancy Schaefer; brother, Robert J. Salinger. Services were March 10 at the Heene-Sundquist Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. Jay Sammons of St. Michael Church in Monroe officiating.

RICHARD DANIEL DOMPIERE

Mr. Dompiere, 51, of Troy, formerly of Farmington, died of a heart attack March 9 in Mid-Michigan Regional Medical Center, Midland.

Born in Farmington, Mr. Dompiere was a carpenter and cabinet maker.

Survivors include his wife, Sige; brothers, Raymond, Conrad and Albert; sisters, Sister Helen, O.P., and Jeannette Muhleiser.

Mass was celebrated March 11 in Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church, Farmington, with the Rev. Monsignor Walter Hurley officiating. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield.

FRED H. STOCKER

Mr. Stocker, 71, of West Bloomfield died March 8 in Huron Valley Hospital, Commerce Township.

Born in Detroit, Mr. Stocker was the owner of Stocker's Market since 1946. The market was located in Detroit from 1946 to 1972 and

has been in Farmington Hills from 1972 to the present time. He was a World War II veteran and a member of the Silverman Post-Jewish War Veterans, a past member of the Coast Guard Auxiliary and has been an avid boater for many years. He was a member of the Hebrew Benevolent Society and a past member of their board of directors.

Survivors include his wife, Rose; sons, Michael of Farmington Hills and Joseph of Detroit; brother, Merle; sister, Edith Gertz.

Funeral services were held Monday, March 9, at The Hebrew Memorial Chapel in Oak Park. Burial was in Macphail Cemetery in Farmdale.

Memorials may be made to Cancer Research, c/o Harper Hospital or to a charity of your choice.

AGNES GROSSER

Mrs. Grosser, 88, of Farmington Hills died March 9 in Botsford Hospital, Farmington Hills.

Born in St. Michaels, Hungary, Mrs. Grosser worked for Great Scott for 27 years as a cashier before retiring.

Survivors include her daughter, Barbara Peck; brother, William Ondrusk; three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Mass was celebrated in St. Fabian Catholic Church, Farmington Hills, with the Rev. Norbert Kendeziak officiating. Burial was in Evergreen Cemetery, Detroit.

Memorials may be made to Alzheimer's of Michigan.

Couple remembered for love of life

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bles and Betty caring for the flowers.

And, of course, Bob loved his golf. "For a couple being married in this day and age — well they just held together," said longtime friend and former golf partner Bill Eckler, who attended high school with both the Snyders. He said he will remember Bob's community spirit, but also his modesty about taking credit.

"They were just beautiful people. You just can't say enough," he added.

BETTY WAS born Alice Pagel in Farmington on July 22, 1922, in a farmhouse on Nine Mile Road near Gill and was a Thayer — one of the founding families of the area. She has always been known as Betty.

Bob was born Robert Snyder in Detroit on Sept. 11, 1919, but had lived in Farmington since the age of 6. He was a retired life insurance

agent who formerly worked for Life of Virginia.

City councilwoman and next door neighbor JoAnne McShane said Bob Snyder was her mentor.

"He has nurtured me through my whole career," she said. McShane had just won an award at a recent training session out of state and was eager to come home and share the news with him.

"He'd just help everyone," she said. "He was a sweetheart — there was nothing phony about him."

McShane recalled a number of good things about Betty, including stories Bob told about her wonderful dancing in the years before her arthritis set in. "She also loved cats," McShane said. "Every time she walked out the door, her cat was right there at her ankle."

Bob was also active in a number of community groups over the years including the Farmington Elks 1986 and the Farmington Goodfellow.

'That was their biggest thing — they were devoted to their family.'

— Jan Snyder
daughter-in-law

Goodfellow and local businessman Jim Stevens worked with Bob during the most recent holiday season on the Goodfellow newspaper.

Livonia presiding, interment was at the Oakwood Cemetery in Farmington.

The Snyders are survived by daughter Susan Kafkas of Livonia; sons Robert, Jr. of Commerce Township and John of Farmington Hills; and 12 grandchildren. Betty is also survived by her sister, Joan Long of Mt. Pleasant, Russell Pagel of Muskegon, and uncle Ed Thayer of Farmington.

The family asks that memorial contributions be made to the Arthritis Foundation.

Board wants to keep rules the same

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"I share your concern," said Susan Rennels. "But supporting this won't help. If this passes, I see the number of kids participating in high school sports declining. I wouldn't want to see that."

After getting input from boards such as Farmington, MHSAA officials will consider the rule changes in May.

Cathleen Webb said parents and students "clearly have the right to that decision."

Helen Frutow said she was "adamantly opposed" to the MHSAA measure, and said members of the Student Round Table group representing students had also spoken out against it. Trustee Jack Ingh was absent from Tuesday's meeting, so did not comment or vote.

Cotton said that the MHSAA had similar rules in place for nearly 70 years and they "served us well," until they were discontinued several years ago, he said.

Many parents from Farmington and other parts of Southeast Michigan have spoken out against the proposed rules which would lighten regulations on the number, or types, of teams a student can join during the school year. It would effectively force athletes to choose between playing on high school teams or after-school club leagues in the same sport.

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— Susan Rennels
board member

It would not prohibit a student from participating in a different sport.

Parents in several local sports clubs — including soccer, swimming and baseball — have started letter-writing campaigns opposing the MHSAA recommendation. Those against the proposals believe the issue is one which should remain between students and parents and that the MHSAA has no business getting involved.

SEVERAL PARENTS spoke out on the issue Tuesday. Laura Myers

said she disagreed with Cotton's assessment of paid sports promoters. "I think you have it backwards," she said. "Our community sports programs are manned by volunteers."

She said the community sports programs "complement and augment" the high school programs.

Parent Joe Svoke said he was concerned rule changes would bring more "free time and idle hands."

The proposal was made after a poll of members of the Michigan Interscholastic Administrators Association showed they favored such a change. But athletic directors in this area say they have been deluged with calls from concerned parents.

An ad hoc committee of administrators and coaches from all three public high schools in the Farmington district say they are opposed to any changes, saying it's up to students and parents and that "it would be next to impossible to monitor and enforce."

Farmington's athletic director Ron Holland said he does not favor changing the rules. He said such issues are a family choice matter and that high school coaches can

monitor the involvement of students if they are playing in both school and community sports.

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Scott Shier, 14, delivers the Farmington Observer in the Farmington Oaks subdivision. He has been delivering the Observer for four years. The Farmington High School ninth grader's favorite subjects are Spanish and English.

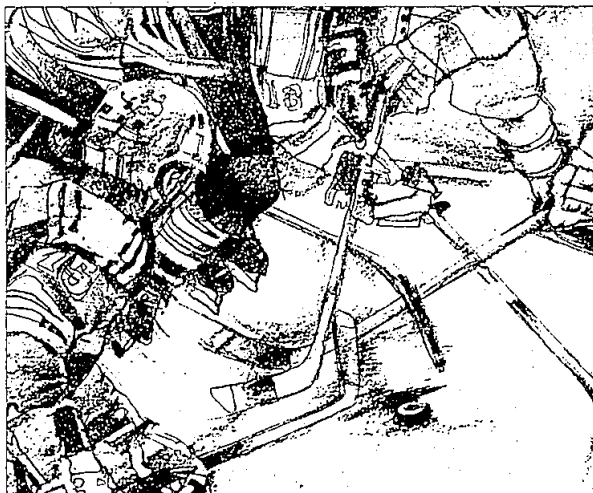
His hobbies are skateboarding, skiing and music. He plans to go to Central Michigan University and study to be a psychologist.

Meeting people and handling money are some of the things he has learned on his route.

Scott is the son of Reinhardt and Carol Shier. He has one brother, Kris, 19 and one sister, Steff, 16.



Scott Shier

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