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She had cameo in films such as "Night Hawks" and "Marrying Man," and even had a bit role in a rock music video. "I was a hooker in the video," Bernard said with an embarrassed laugh.

Her main passion has always been music. Bernard has been writing since she was 16. That pursuit sort of got waylaid until, at a friend's urging, she picked up the guitar and started playing again recently.

Bernard put an ad in the Metro Times looking for a partner. Douglas was in a similar state. She lived in Miami for a while, and played in a band called the Ruby Cadillacs.

She came back to the area in 1989. "I had a bad situation with one individual (musically) for 10 years," Douglas said. "I never thought I'd pick up a guitar again."

Douglas saw the ad, and the two clicked musically. They've since moved in together and have aspirations for a recording contract.

For Douglas, returning to downtown Farmington brings back memories. During a recent performance, she dedicated a song to a couple she recognized in the audience.

Her stepfather was Howard Thayer of the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home. She recalls a pleasant childhood.

"I was around dead bodies all the time," said Douglas, who can resemble the Addams Family's Cousin It when her long hair dangles in her eyes while performing. "When they ran out of room, they would put a body in my room, and I would go and stay with my grandma."

Douglas even boasts of having pictures of the Farmington fire in the 1930s that gutted a part of downtown.

'Farmington's never had a venue for entertainment. Fads and fashions kind of passed through Farmington, but they never stayed.'

Nancy Douglas
2 Iguanas from Earth

"I won't give those up . . . I'm sure (local historian) Lee Peel would like to get his hands on them."

The Java bean circuit is not new to them. The 2 Iguanas have performed at Gotham City in Ferndale, Rabbits and the Java House in Rochester.

Audiences are different. Bernard said she's careful not to start off with harder edged material at the coffeehouse.

"Between the waiting smell of international coffees and pastries, there's also the scent of a dream still brewing."

"If you believe strong enough," Bernard said, "you know it's going to come."

OBITUARIES

MADELEINE M. BORMAN

Mrs. Borman, 73, of Farmington died Aug. 18 in Providence Hospital, Southfield.

Born in Detroit, Mrs. Borman was a homemaker. She was a member of the Vivians of Farmington Elks.

Survivors include her husband, August; son, Michael Gilder; daughter, Patricia Calmer; brothers, George Even, Raymond Even and Thomas Even; several grandchildren.

Mass was celebrated Aug. 20 at St. Alexander Catholic Church with the Rev. James Wright officiating.

Memorials may be made to the Farmington Elks. Arrangements were made by the Heenev-Sund-

quist Funeral Home, Farmington.

PATRICIA A. ENDERS

Mrs. Enders, 57, of Farmington Hills died Aug. 21 in McPherson Hospital, Howell.

Born in Detroit, Mrs. Enders worked for Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak. She was a graduate of Perishing High School.

Survivors include her son, Robert; daughters, Susan Derocher, Mimi McGee and Sandra Jardine; parents, Robert and Eileen Peterson; sister, Barbara Tydd; eight grandchildren.

Services were Aug. 25 at the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington. Burial was in Glen Eden Cemetery, Livonia.

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A Rocker talks soccer



SHARON LEMER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Advice to boot: Ian Fairbrother of the Detroit Rockers soccer club demonstrates some techniques to a group of boys and girls from the Farmington Soccer Club during a recent camp. Interest in the Farmington club is up, said director Tom Faro. Some 80 youngsters participated this year, he said. Camp sponsors are the rockers, Total Soccer and Little Caesars' Premier Coaches.

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