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Torn owner sells Botsford Inn



By LARRY O'CONNOR
STAFF WRITER

The place Henry Ford thought so much of that he moved the building to save it from being torn down has been sold.

Today, the only thing feeling torn is owner John Anhut, whose family has

owned the Botsford Inn since 1951.

Anhut is turning over the 166-year-old inn to Creon Smith, a Plymouth Township resident and former general manager of the Mayflower Hotel. Smith is buying the inn for \$1.5 million on a land contract, \$2 million less than the \$3.5 million asking price

three years ago when it was first put on the market.

Upkeep of the historic hotel on Grand River in Farmington Hills has been a labor of love for Anhut. Economic realities, though, led him to bow out.

"I just think business conditions have been horrible the last three years," said Anhut, who's hosted numerous weddings — including his own two months ago — in the inn's ballroom. "Just surviving has been a contest. So, it was a wasted three years."

"I'm very uptight about it. How I cope with it is going to be an interesting thing."

As part of the agreement, Anhut will stay on in an advisory role. He'll keep an office at the Botsford Inn. Smith was hired by Anhut nine months ago as an assistant manager to eventually oversee operation of the hotel and banquet facility. The purchase agreement evolved from there, Anhut said.

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In a new light: Peg Reihmer, vice president for planning, marketing and corporate development at Botsford Hospital, displays a new operating lamp designed to provide more light than heat.

Hospital's new wing takes off

By BILL COUTANT
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The new emergency department wing at Botsford General Hospital still smells of fresh paint, but the 92,802-square-foot, four-level addition will be put to good use — and soon.

The addition, which will include state-of-the-art operating rooms, monitoring equipment, laboratory and even a heliport, is the most ambitious phase of a \$35 million improvement project at the 336-bed osteopathic teaching hospital.

"The number of cases has grown so dramatically that we've had to build a new ED," said Peg Reihmer, vice president for planning, marketing and corporate development.

The emergency department will be moved into the new east wing from its current cramped confines in the main hospital beginning Nov. 6. The new, more visible wing will take flight Nov. 9 with 11 emergency room staff doctors, residents, interns, nursing and support staff.

"Peak usage of the emergency department varies," said Dr. Mark Cynar, a staff emergency room doctor in charge of training residents at Botsford in emergency medicine. "But we'll be staffed for the worst."

The hospital has seen a dramatic rise in emergency room cases over the past few years. In 1987, about 23,000 visited the emergency room at Botsford, there were 35,000 visits in 1992 and staff expects between 42,000 and 43,000 visits in 1994.

The emergency staff sees an average of 110 patients a day. Because of its proximity to four heavily traveled expressways (I-696, I-96, I-275 and

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Buyers elects to quit campaign for council seat

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Russell Buyers says don't vote for him Tuesday.

If elected, the attorney said he won't serve. He has quit campaigning for a seat on the Farmington City Council. He cannot officially withdraw, as the deadline was Aug. 18.

So, Buyers' name will still appear on the ballot along with Tom Lyczkowski's. Lyczkowski unofficially withdrew from the race two months ago because of business commitments.

That leaves challenger Mary Bush and incumbents Arnold Campbell and Richard Tupper as the only active candidates for three open seats. The top two vote-getters receive four-year terms, the third highest is on for two years.



Buyers, who has taken down his campaign signs, said "personal reasons" led to his decision. "I called Mary Bush and said, 'Mary, congratulations councilperson,'" Buyers said. "Things have changed in my personal life so drastically. . . . I find it impossible to follow through on this thing because circumstances have changed so much."

Buyers wouldn't elaborate on the personal reasons. "The situation could create some interesting scenarios. If Buyers or

Lyczkowski would happen to win, they could offer to resign."

State statutes do not cover resignations. A provision in the city charter calls for council to appoint a replacement.

However, council doesn't have to pick one of the unsuccessful candidates.

"No," said city clerk Patsy Cantrell, "they would not be obligated." Buyers said it's all rather moot. "I'm sure I'm not going to win anyhow."

The Pinewoods Condominium resident was one of the more outspoken candidates during the campaign.

He questioned such things as user fees and the city's insistence on maintaining county roads. He also called for consideration of tax abatements for struggling downtown busi-

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nesses. He said he spent \$300 during the campaign. He doesn't believe it's a wasted effort.

"It was a lot of fun, it really was," Buyers said. "It was exciting. It was interesting. We put a lot of work into making those signs. We were working 10-12 hours a day because those were all handmade."

"So, my family was disappointed. I'm disappointed and perhaps there's some voters out there — maybe one or two — that are disappointed. I'm sure the city will survive."

Buyers said he'd consider serving on any boards or commissions if asked. He added, though, he'll probably not run for council again.

A 'crafty' Saturday

People who enjoy arts and crafts shows should mark Saturday, Nov. 6, on their calendars. Two such events, both longtime fixtures in the community, are scheduled that day in Farmington Hills.

■ The North Farmington Garden Club's 15th annual Arts & Crafts Sale will be 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at O.E. Dunckel Middle School on 12 Mile Road between Orchard Lake and Farmington roads. About 80 juried artisans are expected to attend. No admission will be charged and refreshments will be available.

■ The 21st annual Arts & Crafts Show for the Farmington Community Center will take place 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Mercy Center, 28600 11 Mile Road, Farmington Hills. The juried exhibit will feature Michigan artisans. Admission is \$1, and

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children under 5 are admitted free. Snacks will be sold by members of a senior adult program. For more information, call the center at 477-4804.

Interagency breakfast set

Ann Therese O'Sullivan, a member of the Multi-Cultural/Multi-Racial Committee, will speak at 8 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 11, at a breakfast meeting of the Interagency Council of Farmington/Farmington Hills.

The Interagency Council is an umbrella organization for community groups. The public is invited to attend the meeting. Those representing a group should bring brochures, fliers and pamphlets regarding the organization to share with the

Group.

For more information about the Interagency Council, call Terry Klenczar, vice president, at 489-3333.

Memory Lane

From the Nov. 5, 1953 issue of the Farmington Enterprise: Officials of the Farmington Township School District said they wanted to borrow \$50,000 against coming state aid for operational purposes. ■ Joseph DeVriendt, Farmington police chief, warned merchants to be on the lookout for bad checks.

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