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Rice has come to the same conclusion as a lot of AIDS experts have: The virus can be treated, but the system of access is the problem.

At the office on Grand River east of Evergreen, patients like the care they're getting from Rice and her partner.

"I love it," said Lanora Summersett, who is bringing in her 1-year old son Richard for a follow-up checkup for a cold. "They listen."

Rice, a mother of two, seems energized by children. She seems to date on 4-week-old Jerrold Rayburn as his mother Shantrea Stewart looks on.

"I'm amazed at how strong he is," Rice says, during the routine well-baby checkup.

'I treat AIDS patients. Some of my other patients are bothered by that and some have no problem with it.'

Susan Rice

The best way to ensure good health care is universal access, Rice said. Everyone, whether they can pay or not, should receive medical care, she said. Her prescription is a one-payer system, such as that in Canada.

"There are so many people who are temporary workers," she said. "Universal health care would help them."

OBITUARIES

STEPHEN ROGER MAGAW

Mr. Magaw, 91, of Farmington died April 28 in Boston Hospital, Farmington Hills.

Born in Sayville, N.Y., Mr. Magaw was self-employed in the direct mail business.

Survivors include his wife, Pauline; son, Stephen Robert; daughter, Barbara Cosgrove; 10 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Burial was in Acacia Park Cemetery, Birmingham.

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The disease is hereditary and can lead to mental illness.

Raymond Ponke is insane, his attorneys say.

Jackie Ponke was struck more than 40 times with a claw hammer while she worked at Alan Bredin's dental office on Freedom Road in Farmington.

Raymond Ponke spent 10 hours destroying the family's Oxford home with a sledgehammer around Christmas, police say.

Preparing a defense for Ponke has been made difficult since Raymond Ponke's assets are frozen, Chapman said.

Oakland County Circuit Court Judge Rudy Nichols made the ruling March 2 after hearing a lawsuit filed by relatives of Jackie Ponke.

Raymond Ponke had intended to use his pension, estimated between \$18,000-\$25,000, to pay for medical and legal expenses, Chapman said.

Raymond Ponke is represented by Chapman & Associates in Troy.

Since Ponke is not considered indigent, Chapman said, he can't have a state-appointed attorney.

"We do a lot of pro-bono work, but even a law firm like ours has to draw the line somewhere,"



Ron Chapman



Raymond Ponke

Chapman said. "We can't represent this guy for free because he has money."

An attorney representing Jackie Ponke's family is unsympathetic.

"That's tough rocks," Robert Gagniak said. "That's the way the ball bounces. He killed his wife. You don't kill your wife and say 'I want to use the money to get off this thing.'"

The state pays for forensic test-

ing. However, a move is under way in the state to switch the burden of proof in insanity pleas from the prosecution to the defense.

As a result, defendants could have to pay for their own psychological testing, Raymond Ponke's case would not be affected.

"Imagine if he had to pay to prove he's insane," Chapman said. "He couldn't."

Get info on moths May 10

George Morrow, who is in charge of gypsy moth spraying in the Farmington area, will explain the spraying program at an open meeting of the Council of Homeowner Associations at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 10, in the downstairs meeting room of the Farmington Hills branch of the Farmington Community Library, on 12 Mile.

Oakland County will spray the Farmington area for gypsy moths in mid-May. Gypsy moths can be very destructive to trees during the moths' caterpillar stage.

An item in the current Council of Homeowners Associations newsletter advises anyone who might be allergic to the spray to call Steve Brock, assistant Farmington Hills city manager, at 474-6115 for a state exemption application.

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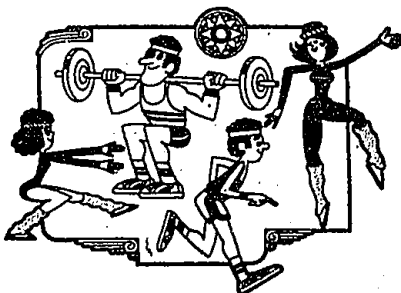
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