

Writer zooms right into the important aspects



LORENE GREEN

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I am 39 years old. I write with my right hand, but use my left hand to play sports. I'm looking forward to seeing my letter in your column. Thank you.

A.F.
Brighton

Optimism rides on each line of this interesting handwriting.

However, I would like to see samples of handwriting done at other times, as I suspect she may have difficulty sustaining this upbeat attitude for extended periods. A little discouragement creeps into the handwriting in the places.

When feeling optimistic, she is a self-starter. She has a faculty for eliminating the extraneous and getting right down to the important aspects.

Our writer's handwriting is above average. Her ideas are often innovative and original. She also has a well-developed sense for structure and proportion.

This is a woman who can visualize the large picture. Details are also important and I can almost see her checking to be certain they are handled correctly. A retentive memory is much in evidence, too. Little escapes her watchful eyes.

This woman was probably raised in a female-dominated home. Many of her personality

traits have been shaped by this background. But she is a very independent woman with a need to express her individuality. Growing up, this may have labeled her as a rebel.

Our writer has a need for status and a strong sense of control. She is outwardly poised and controls her emotions. Decisions are discreetly weighed and she arrives at cool-headed determinations. Emotional appeals may often fail on deaf ears.

Her heavy pressure tells us she has vigorous vitality. This is augmented by a determination to overcome obstacles. A little hidden temper lies just below the surface and can be triggered when things do not measure up.

Currently, she may be apprehensive about something that is going to happen in the future or the persons involved. Some anxiety is suggested here.

Criticism has an adverse effect upon her. Perhaps she heard too

much of it in her early life when she wanted to be independent and follow her own star.

Intuition is seen in her handwriting. This can act as a sixth sense in sizing up people. It also gives her an innate sense of timing in that she often knows when to pursue a project, when to hold it in abeyance and when to shelve it.

To both friends and to her principles she is loyal. On occasion she may harbor ambivalent feelings regarding doing for others and doing for herself.

The pleasures that life has to offer hold much appeal for this young woman. Materialism, athleticism, good food and the beauty of nature seem to stand out.

Her signature is large and the surname is almost illegible. Is this a wish to be enigmatic to others? She appears to demand space and knows how to get it, too.

With so much going for her, she

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does not seem to be as self-assured on the inside as she would like the world to perceive her.

If you would like your handwriting analyzed in this newspaper, write to Lorene C.

Green, a certified graphologist, at 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Please use a full sheet of white, unlined paper, writing in the first person singular. Age, handedness and full signature are helpful. Objective feedback is welcome.

Childrens' center stresses individualized care, nurturing

When you walk into Seton Community Preschool and Infant Care Center, of the St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center in Farmington Hills, the children seem calm and happy.

In the infant day care room, the atmosphere is quiet and serene. A primary teacher is rocking a brown-haired baby boy and feeding him a bottle of formula.

Another child is playing on a blanket with his teacher. In the toddler room, children are splashing happily at the water table. A little boy is painting at an easel and another child is building a tower with building blocks.

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In Seton's preschool program, children, ages 3-5, are encouraged to make choices and are exposed to numbers and letters. Some are writing a grocery list and clipping coupons. Others are creating their own art and telling their teacher a story about it for her to record.

For more than 60 years, Seton Community Preschool and Infant Child Care's mission has been to strengthen families. The program is part of the Daughter's of Charity's 150-year commitment to families in the Detroit area.

The Daughters' two Detroit missions include Providence Hospital and the St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center, of which Seton is a program.

At Seton quality care means individualized care. Each child has a primary teacher who works with the child to help him or her develop emotionally, socially, intellectually at an individual pace.

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In addition, Seton provides smaller, self-contained rooms and low staff-to-child ratios. Each parent is assigned to a primary teacher who provides feedback and communication with the parent on a daily basis.

Parents are also encouraged to visit the program at least one

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"We want to ensure that parents are very comfortable with their decision," said Ann Coyle, director of the program. "Sending a child to day care is a tremendous emotional commitment. Parents need to be sure their child's teacher will encourage healthy development, be warm and nurturing, provide safety and share a similar philosophy about their child's care."

In the early 1980s, Seton was one of the first day care centers in Michigan to begin an infant day care program for children 8 weeks to 2 years old. The program maintains a ratio of one staff to every three children, and accommodates to each baby's feeding and nap schedule. An infant development expert is also available for consultation.

Seton has received accreditation by the Council on Accreditation of Services for Families & Children, Inc., and meets its standards. Seton is also licensed by the state of Michigan's Department of Social Services. Seton is located at 29475 Ink-

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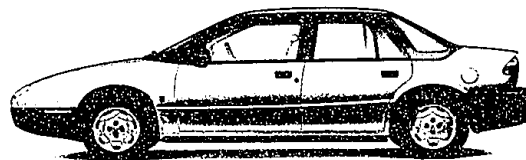
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