

OBITUARIES

Albert A. Junglas
Services for Albert Anton Junglas, 89, of Farmington Hills, were held Aug. 27, at Old Apostolic Lutheran Church in Farmington Hills with the Rev. William Scheffler officiating. Burial took place at Glen Eden Memorial Park in Livonia.

Mr. Junglas was born Feb. 10, 1913 in Hot Springs S.D. and died Aug. 24, 2002 at Botsford Hospital in Farmington Hills. He is survived by his wife, Signe, and sisters, Lillian, Leibelstaal and Ada Munio. Arrangements made by Thayer-Rock Funeral Home in Farmington.

Selma R. Konkel
Services for Selma Ruth Konkel, 77, of Farmington Hills, were held Aug. 28 at Heene-Sundquist Funeral Home in Farmington with the Rev. James Vander Schuerer officiating. Burial took place at Glen Eden Memorial Park in Livonia. Mrs. Konkel was born Feb. 24, 1925 in Detroit and died Aug. 23, 2002 in Farmington Hills. She is survived by her husband, Jack; daughters, Penny (John) Ping, Patricia (Jerry) Norton and Lisa (Alan) Needleman; sister, Madeline (Leo) Parker; six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Trash collection delayed due to Labor Day holiday

Garbage collection will not be scheduled on Monday, Sept. 2, due to the Labor Day holiday. Since Labor Day falls on a Monday, all garbage and recycling pick-ups will be delayed by one day during that week. Monday's route will be picked up on Tuesday, Tuesday's route will be picked up on Wednesday, and so on with

Friday's collection on Saturday. There are six holidays during the year when garbage and recycling collection is not scheduled: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day. For more information call the DPW at (248) 553-8580.

New art on display at Farmington library

BY JONI HUBBARD
STAFF WRITER

Ten years ago, Girija Viswanath sold her first commissioned art work.



Viswanath

Now the Commerce Township resident has many sales, shows and accolades, not to mention the creation of her own unique art form to her credit. Her work will be on display at the Farmington Community Library in downtown Farmington through September.

"One of our friends came to see our house, and he really fell in love with one of my paintings and wanted to buy it," Viswanath recalled. "I said no, but I said maybe I could make something he wanted."

Eventually, the man commissioned three paintings. Though she lives and breathes painting,

however, Viswanath doesn't consider art her "career." "Art is my passion," said the native of southern India. "I do it for fun. I really enjoy painting. When I see some blank paper, it feels like I have to do something with it."

Paper doesn't have to come in its conventional form for her to be attracted, either. One of Viswanath's favorite mediums involves using Swiss-made, water-soluble crayons - *caran d'ache*. Rather than simply wielding the crayons themselves, she mixes them wet onto the painting surface. While she has experimented with various kinds of paper, her favorite is sandpaper.

"For me, it works better," she said. "The color flows very well. I can make more representative paintings."

Whether it's the brilliant green in the leaf of a potted plant or the asymmetry in a torn slice of fruit, Viswanath's favorite subjects are natural.

"I love to do flowers," she said. "I would like to capture the fragility of flowers. I want

to keep them forever." Among her most notable and personally satisfying accomplishments, she said, has been the creation of an innovative collage technique. She uses acrylics in a unique photocopy transfer painting technique, resulting in a work that combines individual fragments of various textures and media into one magnificent composition.

Viswanath has passed on her love of art to one of her sons, Kiran Talanki, who sketched and painted with acrylics when he was younger and won awards for his work. Now he is on his way to medical school, and her older son, Venu, an attorney, is married to Ritu Vig, also an attorney.

Her husband, Talanki, is a physician. Viswanath said her family is her "first source of motivation and support."

She finds professional support through the Farmington Artists Club, which selected her as the artist of the month at Farmington Library. The club gives her the opportunity

to mingle with and learn from other artists, as well as to hear guest speakers talk about various art forms.

Over the years, Viswanath's work has won awards at the National Festival of the Arts 2000, the Oakland County Executive Office Galleria Show, the Pontiac Oakland Society of the Arts Golden Anniversary Competition and the Our Town Show in Birmingham, among many others. She's had solo exhibitions at St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia, Birmingham Community House, Gallery Shanti in Birmingham and the Fine Arts Gallery in Livonia.

Her work is also on display in private and corporate collections across the U.S.

The local exhibition will be open during library hours, Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m.-9 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. and Sunday, noon to 6 p.m. For more information, call Viswanath at (248) 366-6812.

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Judgment allows CVS 24-hour drive-through

BY PAUL R. PACE
STAFF WRITER

Officials with the CVS Pharmacy on the corner of Nine Mile and Haggerty in Farmington Hills want to leave the store's doors open 24 hours to allow shopping around the clock for walk-in customers. But the Farmington Hills City Council is divided on agreeing to the request.

A recent consent judgment involving a 2001 lawsuit allows the business to offer a 24-hour drive-through pharmacy only. Norman Hyman, representing the CVS, is asking the council to allow the operation to open its retail section 24 hours for the good of the business.

"It cements customers' loyalty and enhances the business during the daylight hours," said

Hyman. Pharmacist Ian Nordan said some nonprescription items cannot be placed through a drive-through box.

"The most common thing we hear is we're so happy you're open," he said of late night customers.

Council members Vicki Burnett and Cheryl Oliverio said being parents, they know the value of getting prescriptions filled and talking with the pharmacist in the middle of the night about a sick child.

For six weeks after January 2000, the business stayed open 24 hours by mistake, said Dale Coutegant. The mishap was noticed by city officials when the store submitted a request to post an "open 24 hours" sign, he said.

During that period, no complaints from nearby residents were submitted to the city, Coutegant said. Some council members said that proves the business was not harming anyone during the late hours.

Councilman Jon Grant said he was not in favor of the request. "I don't see any compelling reason to change," he said. Mayor Nancy Bates said that



The CVS/Pharmacy at Nine Mile and Haggerty wants to open 24 hours.

In the past, nearby residents "strongly fought" against the operation being open 24 hours when the building was being proposed.

However, councilmen Barry Brickner and Jerry Ellis said the store being open 24 hours would likely be a benefit to the community. As a way to compromise, the council debated having the city attorney draft language that would allow the operation to stay open 24 hours for up to a

year with the ability to change the decision at any time.

In a 4-3 vote, the council added an amendment to the consent judgment agreement to have the city attorney draft language for a trial period during which the store would be open 24 hours. Those dissenting were Bates, Mayor Pro-Tem Christopher McNamee and Grant. No date was set to re-examine the issue.

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