

Livonia Woman In Drive To Ban Steel Jaw Traps

Mrs. Joan Kortez, Livonia friend to all animals, is asking Observer and residents to help ask Congress to ban the use of the steel-jaw leghold trap in hunting and trapping. She calls the device "one of the most vicious ever invented."

Mrs. Kortez and her daughter, Pamela, have circulated petitions to be used in a new effort by the Animal Protection Institute of America to get the readily-available device outlawed in this country as it has been in 14 other nations.

The 1,000 signatures they have collected will be among those taken by Belton P. Mouras of Sacramento, institute president, when he makes a new appeal for congressional action March 31.

Others who wish to sign the petition or circulate others should call Mrs. Kortez, whose home is at 2856 Grandon.

Petitions also are available from the Animal Protection Institute, 584 South Land Park Drive, Box 22505, Sacramento, Calif. 95822.

Mrs. Kortez said she became interested in the drive after reading an advertisement placed by the institute.

She described the trap, first developed around 1840, as one that "clamps shut with crushing force on the leg or paw of any animal stepping into it."

"Many times the leg is broken," she added. "As the animal struggles to free itself, the jaws of the trap tear into the flesh, causing ex-

treme pain and fear. The animal is held in the trap, sometimes for many days and nights, unless it chews or twists off its paw and escapes. Most likely it still will die or infection of starvation because it no longer can compete for food."

Mrs. Kortez said the device still is used by fur trappers, although fur now is a luxury rather than a necessity and only about a fourth of the animals so trapped is valuable for its fur.

"This is an unjustified waste of animal life," she declared. She also pointed out that there is an instant kill trap on the market and also one that traps the animal but does not harm it so that it can be released if not of value for fur.

"As I petitioned from door to door for this cause," Mrs. Kortez said, "two men told of having trapped wild animals in the steel-jaw leghold trap."

"They both said it was the most hideous sight ever to be seen. They signed my petition to Congress to ban this trap."

Church Hosses Drug Film

LIVONIA A film on drug abuse will be shown free April 3 at 7:30 p.m. in St. Pauls Lutheran Church, 17810 Farmington Rd., Livonia.

The film features Art Linkletter, who gives a presentation which has stirred emotions and opened many eyes. Linkletter says drug misuse "has become epidemic."

The film is provided by the Aid Assn. for Lutherans.

WSU Alumni Will Hear Mrs. Gribbs

Mrs. Katherine S. Gribbs, wife of Detroit Mayor Roman Gribbs, will be speaker for the March 30 area reunion for Wayne State University alumni of Farmington, Southfield, Lathrup and Oak Park.

The dinner gathering will be held in the dining room and upper lounge of Plum Hollow Country Club, beginning with cocktails at 7 p.m.

Mrs. Gribbs, attended Wayne State in the 1950s and is back now as a student and leader of several university activities. Her topic is "Wayne State—I think it's Great."

She will be introduced by Dr. Paul E. Andrews, director of alumni relations. Mrs. Olga Dworkin of Farmington, chairman of the WSU alumni campus beautification committee, will show slides of recent projects.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hayes of Farmington are co-chairmen for the dinner.

CWC Sets Luncheon

The Dearborn - Plymouth Chapter of the Christian Women's Club will hold its monthly luncheon in the Mayflower Meeting House, Plymouth, at 12 noon, Thursday, April 12.

Derek DeCombra, who is associated with the Jerome Hines opera, "I Am the Way," will be the speaker. DeCombra will sing and demonstrate mosaic art.

A nursery will be available for pre-schoolers. Reservations must be made by April 9, with Mrs. Lawrence Derocher, 21936 Middle Belt, Farmington, or Mrs. Dean Ward, 47256 Dunstony, Northville.



KATHERINE CASEY SUSAN SIELSKI DENISE REH

Mr. and Mrs. John Casey of Grandon Avenue, Livonia, announce the engagement of their daughter, Susan Taylor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Taylor of Westland. The bride-elect is a senior at Garden City East High School. Her fiancé graduated from Franklin High School and is employed in the Kroger Co. warehouse. An Aug. 31 wedding is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Reh of Northville, formerly of Livonia, announce the engagement of their daughter, Denise Lynne, to James H. Cash Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Cash of New Hudson. The bride-elect is a 1971 graduate of Northville High School, and her fiancé attended Ferris State College. Both are employed by John Mach Ford Sales, Inc. A June 8 wedding is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Sielski of Garden City, announce the engagement of their daughter, Marie, to Randy Edwin Randall Roush, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Diane Roush of Blackburn Avenue, Livonia. Both are 1970 graduates of Franklin High School. The bride-elect has completed a dental hygiene course at the University of Michigan, and her fiancé will graduate from U-M in 1974. They will be married May 12.



SANDRA SELEEN CYNTHIA WILKIN LOIS HALL

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond C. Seleen of Cranston Avenue, Livonia, announce the engagement of their daughter, Sandra Ann, to Timothy Allen Tyler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Tyler of Berkeley. The bride-elect is a 1968 graduate of Franklin High School and earned an associate degree from Ferris State College in 1970. She is employed by the Ford Motor Co. in its World Headquarters Building. Her fiancé also graduated from Ferris, where he was affiliated with Sigma Alpha Mu fraternity, and is employed in the Ford Wixom plant. A June 16 wedding is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford I. Wilkin of Ross Street, Plymouth, announce the engagement of their daughter, Cynthia L., to Mark C. Goult, son of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis B. Goult of Fenton. The bride-elect is a 1969 graduate of Plymouth High School and she and her fiancé both are seniors at Michigan State University. No wedding date has been set.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Hall of Gaylord Avenue, Redford Township, announce the engagement of their daughter, Lois Lynn, to James Michael Rose, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Rose of Montague, Mich. The bride-elect is a 1969 graduate of Redford Union High School and she and her fiancé both are seniors at Michigan State University. A June 16 wedding is planned.



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