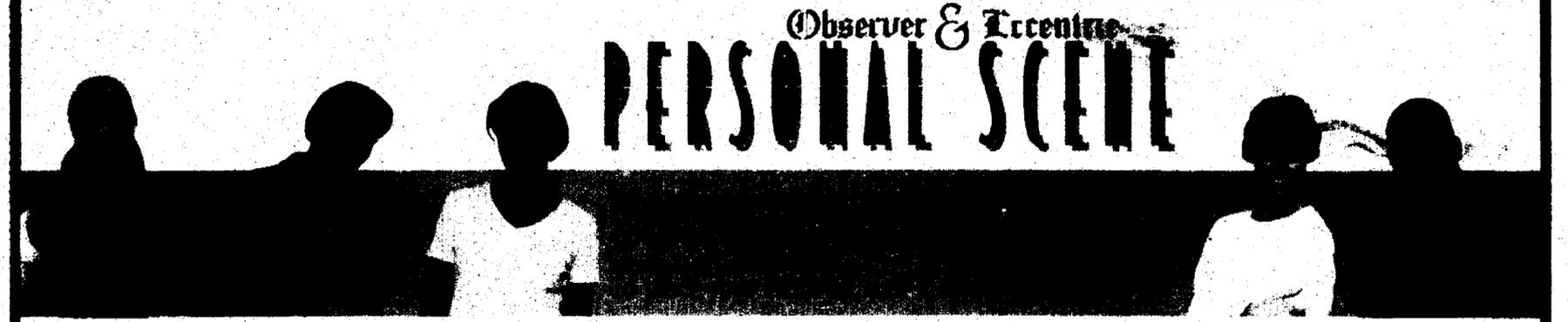


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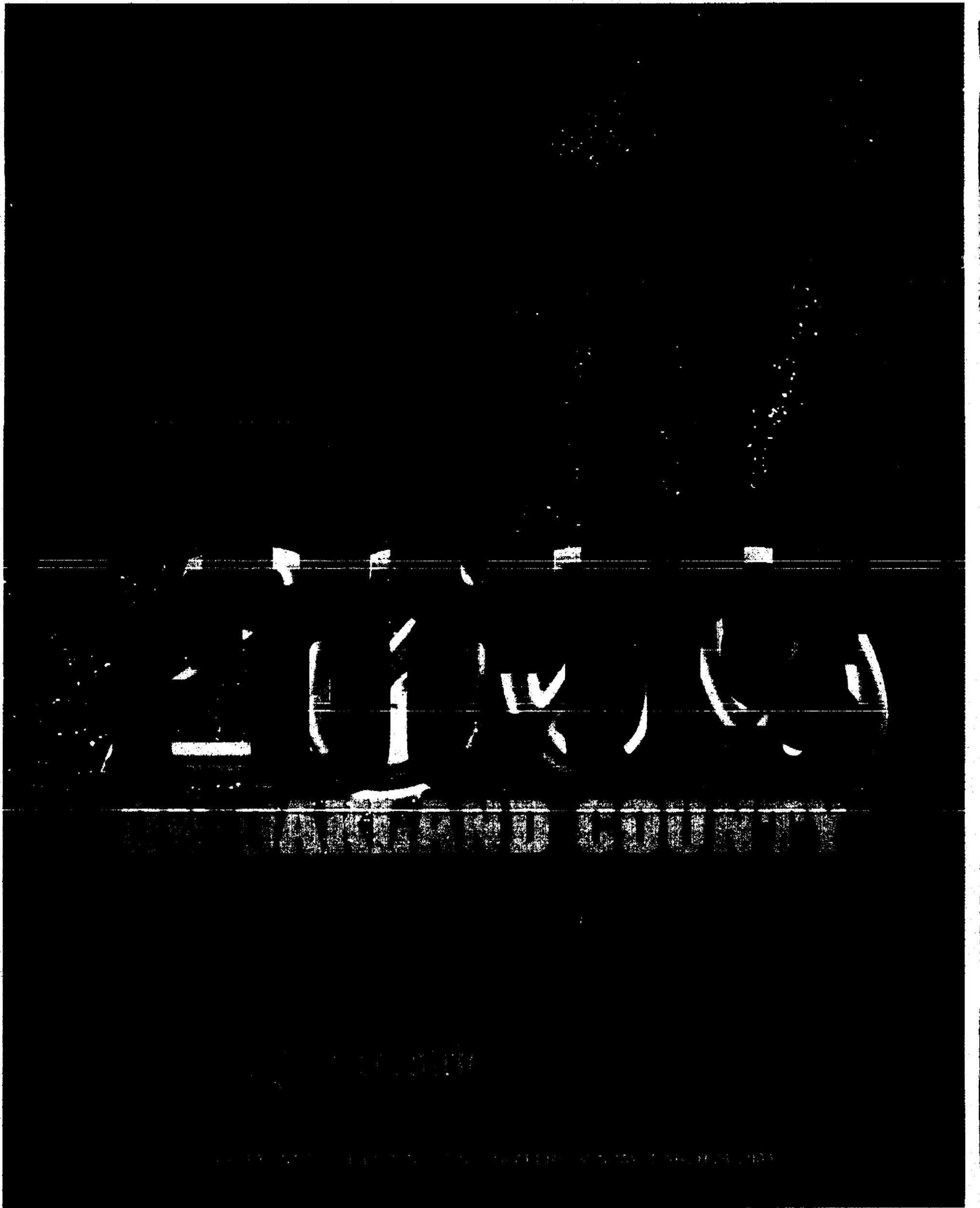
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WHY BE ALONE? Caring, affectionate, loving DWPM 53, 5'7", loves lake activities, reading, movies, and quality time together. Seeking petite-medium SF 40-50, fit, friendly, possible long-term monogamous relationship. Race unimportant. #1986

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Assisted Living Residents Come Home To Courtyard Manor

In February, Courtyard Manor, an assistive living facility for memory impaired adults, such as those suffering from Alzheimer's Disease or other type of Dementia, held a Valentine's Day Ball. All patient participants wore tuxedos or evening gowns donated by local businesses and, of course, a king and queen were crowned. This is an unusual activity, when compared to playing cards or bingo, but such widely-varied and creative activities are necessary therapy for patients, according to Bonnie Everett, M.S., regional director for Courtyard Manor.

"Stimulating activities help to slow the progression of the disease, prevent withdrawal and depression and improve quality of life," said Everett. Pet therapy, recreational therapy and other individualized, comprehensive therapy helps enrich patients' minds and lives, she added. Certified Recreational Therapists are on staff at Courtyard Manor and are diligent about incorporating such programs and activities.

Fourteen years ago, Courtyard Manor opened its doors to the families that could no longer care for their loved ones who were suffering from Alzheimer's and Dementia, or those who were physically frail. It is a fully-licensed, full-service facility with a continuum of care in a residential atmosphere. "We are an affordable alternative to other medical care facilities," said Everett. Courtyard Manor has facilities in Farmington Hills, Livonia, Auburn Hills, Sterling Heights and Wixom.

Licensing is not mandated by the State of Michigan, but Courtyard Manor is licensed facility. This means that they are governed by the State of Michigan's regulations and conform to their laws. Each facility is subject to on-site inspections or licensing action if they do not comply with licensing rules. This provides families with the reassurance that their loved one is well cared for.

Courtyard Manor is staffed 24 hours with healthcare assistants and licensed nurses. Attending physicians, physical therapy evaluation and rehabilitation, psychiatry, podiatry, laboratory, x-ray, vision care, dental exam and treatment and a full-service beauty salon mean patients never have to leave the premises. Hospice care is also available to ease patients' suffering as they near the end of their life.

Each campus has four specialized "cottages," which separate patients into four levels of need. Each suite, either private or companion has emergency call buttons in bedroom and bathroom, a bedroom, sitting area and a bathroom with private walk-in shower and safety handle bars. Buildings have an open floor plan, with secured exits. The great room resembles a cozy ski lodge with a fireplace, wooden vaulted ceilings and ceiling fans. Gorgeous courtyards are a trademark of Courtyard Manor where residents can sit outside on benches or garden, if they so choose.

Services offered include three home-cooked meals and snacks daily; medication administration; assistance with daily personal care; dressing and bathing; incontinence management; daily housekeeping; linen services; and personal laundry services.

"Residents are encouraged to bring personal items (i.e., hobbies, photos, furnishings or furniture) from home to make them feel comfortable and to stimulate long-term memory," said Everett. Staff is especially accommodating and flexible. "We treat every situation as unique," said Everett.

The decision to place a family member or spouse in an assistive living environment can be a difficult one. Some Alzheimer's warning signs include: recent memory loss, difficulty performing familiar tasks, problem with language, disorientation of time or place, misplacing things, changes in mood, behavior or personality and loss of initiative.

A doctor can diagnose the disease, Courtyard Manor can help you live with it. The first call for help when your loved one needs to be safe and can no longer take care of him-or herself is Courtyard Manor. Call today for a personal tour or to ask any questions you might have, (800) 486-9039.



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Today's seniors have more choices for better living than ever before. Just ask Emma and Fred Leeman, who reside at The Fountains at Franklin. Instead of worrying about shoveling snow and home maintenance this winter, they've been busy living the good life with their many friends and neighbors at this exceptional Southfield retirement community. Here, there are also special new programs to support those needing assistance, and also those living with dementia.

"We are so happy here. We feel very secure because we are well taken care of, especially when we had the flu — the staff waited on us hand and foot. We think this is the best place for us. We feel part of the community here", the Leemans said.

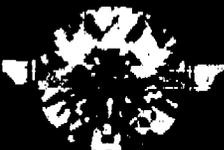
Frank Anderson, a Fountains at Franklin resident since 1997, agrees. "I am a very lucky man," he said. "I have three terrific sons. They made sure I would be taken care of. The staff at The Fountains at Franklin has made me feel at home."

With spacious (up to 1,100 square feet!), newly redecored apartments and living areas galore, it's no wonder these seniors are so happy to have chosen The Fountains. Emma, Fred and Frank enjoy delicious dining service, transportation when they need it, and plenty of ways to stay active and involved.

"I always like to be busy," says Ida Liberwitz, another happy resident. "I just look at our calendar of events to see what's going on for the day. I may or may not add my two cents, but I always love BINGO and Happy Hour!"

For more and more area seniors, The Fountains at Franklin is shattering stereotypes and raising expectations of what life can be. The Fountains at Franklin is hosting an Open House on Thursday, April 6 from 4 to 6 p.m. For more information, please call 248-353-2810.





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If you want to buy jewelry from a jeweler who knows the industry, stop in at Swiss Jewelers of Southfield. The success of this family owned business is due, in part to their unique combination of talent, background, knowledge and love of beautiful jewelry in general. Harout Eurdekian, both designer and master jeweler, has been in the jewelry business since 1952. His son Raffi, is a graduate gemologist of the Gemological Institute of America and a professional appraiser. Raffi is also a expert witness in court cases for jewelry related fraud or disputes, FBI cases, and provides various jewelry and gemstone related consulting.

This unusual mix of scientific expertise and customer service ideals combined with current jewelry trends makes Swiss Jewelers a Unique Jewelry shopping destination.

The success they've enjoyed for almost 30 years is due, in part to the quality of merchandise they carry. They have a vast selection of merchandise from designer jewelry to custom designs all in 14K, 18K, or Platinum. But what Swiss Jewelers is specifically known for is the niche they fill in the diamond arena. They specialize in diamonds which are cut to exacting proportions and symmetry designed to maximize fire and brilliance. They showcase Lazare and Hearts on Fire Diamonds and eagerly share their knowledge and expertise as to why Hearts On Fire Diamonds are the best on the market.

All of the 4C's are important considerations when buying a diamond. But it is the *Cut* which is unquestionably the single most important factor in determining the true beauty of a diamond. A diamond is cut to have many surfaces, or "facets." Most round diamonds are cut with 58 facets. These facets act like a series of lenses and mirrors. When cut with perfect proportions and symmetry a diamond will capture, focus and return light to the viewer in a dazzling display for fire, brilliance and scintillation.

The cut is the only factor that man can control and more often than not the diamond cutter will cut the rough diamond in order to retain weight. By doing so they can sell a heavier carat weight (usually a deeper cut diamond with less fire and brilliance) for a higher price. Carat weight is simply the weight not the size of a diamond i.e. 5 carats equals 1 gram. Weight does not equal size!

What's really important is what you see face up and what you see face up is the diameter across the top of the diamond. A 0.85 carat Hearts On Fire Diamond looks as big as an ordinary one-carat diamond because the diameter across the top is almost identical. Less is definitely more in this case, because the extra weight in the bottom of an ordinary diamond actually takes away from its beauty and merely adds to its cost.

Hearts on Fire Diamonds take the art of diamond cutting to a new level. Each diamond is cut to express its inner beauty and release its incredible fire in a way never seen before. Each of its 58 facets are cut with precise care and exquisitely polished to maximize an elegance, beauty and rare inner fire that is uniquely Hearts on Fire. A Proportion Scope™ allows customers to view the perfectly symmetrical ring of hearts, seen via the bottom view and the perfect fire burst seen via the top view, often eliciting a simple, yet definitive, "wow!"

Comparison shopping for a diamond can feel overwhelming or complicated and many shoppers rely on cost or a "good deal" to make a final decision. There is a certain psychological appeal to price, and unfortunately little attention on real value," said Raffi. But before you buy, he adds, take the time to stop at Swiss Jewelers to ask questions and get real answers which can help to "quantify value" to learn as much as you can on such an important purchase. Many people end up buying a diamond that isn't what they think it is. Sometimes they even have a written certificate or grading report that just doesn't match with the diamond upon appraisal," said Raffi. With a Hearts On Fire Diamond the value is verifiable. Each diamond is laser inscribed with a Hearts On Fire name and unique identification number. An independent gemological laboratory (AGS gemological laboratories) evaluates each diamond for the 4C's and provides a diamond grading report attesting to its findings. The number on the certificate, which matches the number inscribed on the diamond, authenticates the diamond that earned the ratings is actually yours.

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