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This photograph of the 1983 graduating class at Southwestern placed third in The Evergreen News' "Picture Your Neighborhood" photography contest. Marjorie Stoner of Snowden Avenue took the picture with an instamatic camera. She is employed at Southwestern. While Stone snapped this scene from the rear, another photographer was in front of the students taking class portraits.

BABY-SITTING CO-OP PLANNED

Remember the times you had to cancel an evening out or a short trip because there was no one to keep the kids?

Well, chances are several other families in your neighborhood, even on your own street, have similar child-care needs. In order to serve these families, the VECA Baby-Sitting Co-Op is being organized.

Anyone interested in helping establish this organization is invited to attend a planning meeting at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 13th at Lindsay Memorial Presbyterian Church, 1663 Tutwiler. Nursery facilities will be available at a nominal charge.

Operational, administrative and membership rules will be discussed and a membership limit will be set. The co-op will serve the area bordered by Cypress Creek on the north, North Parkway on the south, Trezevant/Springdale on the east and North Watkins on the west.

In order that the co-op serve both working and non-working parents, its services will be available in the daytime and evenings.

For more information, contact Jo Berthiaume at 726-9519 after 4 p.m. or Marilyn Duncan at 274-0886 after 6 p.m.

THE PLACE TO BE THIS FALL: SOUTHWESTERN

This fall, learn how to act, appreciate opera, operate a computer and do much more through continuing education classes at Southwestern.

Classes will start in early October and while several began in late September, it's not too late to participate. Fees range from \$25 to \$75 for all-day seminars in which meals are included. For more information and a brochure, call 274-6606.

Here is a list of the classes offered:

- "Computers for Beginners" — Taught by computer consultant George F. Adams. Beginning Oct. 3, four sessions. Daytime and evening classes available.
- "Creativity: Development and Application" — Led by John F. Thompson of the Center for Higher Education at Memphis State. Beginning Oct. 20, four sessions.
- "Human Relations for Everyday Living." — Taught by David D. Field, co-author of "A Human Relations Guide." Beginning Oct. 4, six sessions.
- Weekend workshops on "Self-Empowerment in a Disempowering World" (Oct. 29) "Creative Conflict: A Skills Training Workshop" (Nov. 12 & 19;) and "Imagine Inventing a World Without Weapons" (Dec. 2-4). Conducted by Warren Ziegler of the Futures-Invention Associates of Denver.

Classes which are in progress now, but which are still open include:

- "Beginning Acting" — Taught by Julia Ewing and Ray Hill. Mondays, 10 sessions. They also will supervise a workshop for experienced actors.
- "Opera for Amateurs" — Taught by Dr. Diane Clark. Mondays, nine sessions.
- "Understanding Art: Vision and Design" — Taught by Diana Taylor. Mondays, nine sessions. Alternate Tuesdays. Six sessions.
- "Ancient Religions and Modern Man" — Led by Dr. Robert Patterson, an exploration of Hinduism, Buddhism, Chinese religion, Judaism and Christianity. Tuesdays, six sessions.
- "Tragedy and Comedy: An Exploration" and "The American Short Story" — Led by Professor Ray Hill. Thursday mornings, nine sessions, and sixteen sessions.
- "The Search for Self Discovery" — Dr. Granville Davis will lead a study of eight American novelists. Tuesday mornings, eight sessions.

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**FAMILY ROOTS RUN DEEP
AT MID MEMPHIS DENTAL LAB**

By Kini Kedigh

A musical door chime plays "Somewhere My Love" as patients enter and leave the tiny waiting room at 650 N. McLean. The receptionist offers a tearful child a toy from the "goodie box" for his good behavior during his visit, while his father makes a future appointment.

It's just a typical day at the Mid Memphis Dental Lab where Dr. William F. Pearson and his wife, Carmen, a medical technician, have lived and practiced for the past 15 years.

The Pearsons are both graduates of the University of Tennessee Center for the Health Sciences where they met as students. The "family" practice also includes two of their five children--Jimmy, a certified dental technician who does gold and porcelain work, and daughter, Carmen Thoda, who is the registered hygienist. Their youngest child, Marie, still lives at the address while attending Memphis State University on a National Merit Scholarship.

Dr. Pearson originally opened his practice at an East Memphis location but as soon as he learned the property on McLean was available he leased it. When the original property owner retired in 1967, Dr. Pearson purchased the building and has been there since.

"We attend Grace St. Luke's Church and thought that Snowden was one of the best schools in the city at the time," Dr. Pearson explains of his decision to move into the VECA area. "The neighborhood had all the conveniences we wanted, and it still has them as far as I'm concerned."

Dr. Pearson treats patients from the entire Tri-State area, but he prefers to stay in the VECA location. "We're very comfortable in this neighborhood. We own other property in town but we enjoy living and working here. We've tried living in other areas of

the city, but we've always moved back."

The convenience of combining both home and office in one building offers a unique arrangement for the Pearsons. "Carmen is able to do all the book-keeping and keep all the records for the dental lab," Pearson explains.

Carmen, a native of Caracas, Venezuela, also keeps busy as a distributor for Shaklee products. She has been in the business for six years and both she and her husband give nutrition lectures every Tuesday evening at 7:30 p.m.

About eight months ago, Dr. Pearson took on an associate "to help with the patient load." Dr. Edward Hachhauser treats children while Dr. Pearson specializes in crown and bridge work as well as dentures and partials.

In addition to their busy work schedules, the Pearsons have been very active with Opera Memphis for many years, serving on the Opera Guild and as members of the Guild Board. In fact, you might say that it was the Opera that got Carmen interested in Shaklee, but that's another story. . . .

Dr. Pearson plays the organ as a hobby, and Carmen is proud of their 11 grandchildren. They have been married for 35 years.

The Place To Be (Continued)

- "The American Seen Through British Eyes"—Logan Browning, associate dean of Southwestern's British Studies at Oxford, will take a look at how British writers have viewed America. Tuesdays, six sessions.
- "The Arrogant Humans: Are We Destroying Ourselves?"—Margaret Brooks, former biology professor at Oklahoma State University, will base discussions on David Ehrenfeld's book, "The Arrogance of Humanism." Tuesdays, seven sessions.
- The National Issues Forum will focus on: "Priorities for the Nations Schools," "Nuclear Arms and National Security" and "The Deficit and the Federal Budget Process". Thursdays, four sessions.

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NEW MINISTER

Springdale United Methodist Church, 751 N. Trezevant, has a new minister. Rev. Martha B. Wagley joined the church after Rev. R. Craig Jordan's departure to become full-time chaplain at Methodist Hospital.

Rev. Wagley formerly conducted services at Mason and Braden United Methodist churches in Fayette and Tipton counties. A graduate of Memphis State University and the Memphis Theological Seminary School, Rev. Wagley is a native of Memphis.

She is married to Jerry S. Wagley, an employee at Malone & Hyde. They have two children, Jerry S. Wagley II, who is 18 years old and Garrett A. Wagley, who is 14.

Springdale has about 250 members. The congregation's goal, says Rev. Wagley, is to "build the membership of the church and minister to the various needs of the community."

BROOKS SEEKS VOLUNTEERS

The education department at Memphis Brooks Museum of Art is contacting anyone interested in becoming a Museum volunteer-professional. The volunteers, or docents, work half a day with guided tours, student activities in the Museum and Outreach programs in the schools. A background in art is not required.

A comprehensive training course of seven weeks is taught and includes art history, information on the collection at the Museum, elements of art, media techniques, etc.

In addition to being an exciting learning experience, the Docent Program provides an opportunity for meeting people as well as a chance to share your knowledge of art with others.

If you are interested in working at the Museum, please contact the education office at 726-5266 for information on applications.

EXHIBITS AT BROOKS

"Howard Pyle and The Wyeths: Four Generations of American Imagination," is on exhibit at Memphis Brooks Museum of Art through Oct. 23. The exhibition charts the course of popular American painting since 1880 through the artistic accomplishments of famous illustrators Howard Pyle and N.C., Andrew and Jamie Wyeth.

"Made in Memphis by Memphians" is an exhibit of handmade furniture by some of the city's most famous artists and craftsmen. The display runs through Nov. 27.

"Fortner Cut Glass Collection" is an exhibit which examines the brilliant period of American cut glass, ca. 1890-1915. The collection focuses on relatively rare patterns, such as Lattice and Rossettes, Trellis, and Greek Key. The collection is on display through March 4.

NEWS BRIEFS

- On October 8th and 9th, at Overton Park, senior citizens, age 55 and over, will participate in the "Memphis Golden Olympics." A two-mile and five-mile bike race will be held, as well as a horse-shoe throwing contest. For more information, please call Sylvia Nelson at 454-5750.

- Drug and alcohol abuse by school-age children is an area of concern to all people in the community, but it is difficult to know where to begin in combating this serious problem. On November 2nd and November 9th, at 8 p.m., WKNO, the public broadcasting station on Channel 10, will air "The Chemical People." On those evenings, town meetings are being scheduled in the city's schools and churches in which people are invited to watch the programs and share ideas. Meetings are likely to be scheduled in the VECA community. For more information, please watch for the ads which will appear in the city's daily newspapers in November or call WKNO.

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OCTOBER

3 Southern Circuit Films Series with independent filmmaker James Benning. Benning will screen and discuss his newest film **HIM AND ME**, a feature-length study that juxtaposes American landscape with audiotaped history; it is Benning looking back at both public and private events from 1950 to 1980. 7:30 p.m., Lecture Room B. Frazier Jelke Science Center, Southwestern At Memphis. No Admission Charge.

13-16 Images Foreign Film Series: Eboli. Directed by Francesco Rosi. Based on Carlo Levi's classic

novel, "Christ Stopped at Eboli." In Italian with English subtitles. 8 p.m., Lecture Room B, Frazier Jelke Science Center, Southwestern At Memphis. \$2.50.

17 Southern Circuit Film Series with Co Hoedeman, a Dutch animator from the National Film Board of Canada presenting a survey of the newest and most innovative Canadian animation. Mr. Hoedeman will present his own most recent film **CELEBRATION**, as well as works by Suzanne Gervais, Lynn Smith, Caroline Leaf and Veronica Soul. 7:30 p.m., Lecture Room B, Frazier Jelke Science Center. No Admission Charge.

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