# She's my mom

## Kids express their feelings through art

BY TIM SMITH
STAFF WRITER

It's payback time this week in classrooms all over West Bloomfield, such as First Impressions Nursery and Day School, where children are making it a point to do something special for the person who spends so much time every day doing neat things for them.

After all, Mom. Who else would make someone's favorite snack, take them to the toy store or just goof around with them?

Just ask 5-year-old Nicole Walter, a pre-kindergarten pupil at First Impressions.

"I like to play with her, play games," Nicole said. "And throw eggs at her . . . just *pretend* eggs, though."

But Nicole knows why she and her classmates have been hard at work this week creating various art works (how a . . . You're My Cup of Tea" ba. . . heart pin grab . . .) to com . . . rate Mother's Day on Sun. . . 's Mom . . special day.

Some of the other youngsters at First Impressions love Mom for many other reasons:

Four-year-old Christopher White, also a pre-kindergartener, likes his mother because she plays Mousetrap with him; kindergartener Amanda Mosly, 6, said her mom "takes me places . . . like Toys 'R' Us." 5-year-old Blake Movitz, a pre-kindergartener, "drives me places, she takes me to the restaurant."

According to pre-kindergarten pupil Lauren Schwartz, 5, her Mom is the best because she "makes me chicken nuggets and helps me make my bed."

OK, these aren't the most philosophical or compelling reasons ever cited about why there's a Mother's Day. But we're talking about 5-year-old kids here.

And that's an extremely important thing to remember, said Theresa Tousley, First Impressions pre-kindergarten teacher.

"Everybody has a mother, we all love our mothers and they're the favorite people," Tousley said. "But it's hard for them to understand about their mothers' personalities or get the concept about how their mothers love them.

"For 4-year-olds, up to this stage of their life, they've always been focused on *me*. Now they're learning their mothers and fathers are important. And we talk about that."

Bearing out the notion that older children have a better grasp about the importance of Mother's Day was 10-year-old Sophia Harrison, one of the older children attending My Place Just For Kids, a drop-in day care facility in West Bloomfield.

"She's just her," Sophia said. "And she tries to do a good job of being a parent. She's forgiving and you can trust her."

Sophia said Mother's Day is very important to celebrate because it shows that children "take the time to appreciate our mothers and all the hard work they've done."

One of the projects at First Impressions intends to show just how versatile and hard working moms everywhere are, said Joyce Shwedel, afternoon enrichment teacher for kindergarteners.

"They're making hats to show how many jobs moms have — nurse, cook, driver, housekeeper, playmate," said Shwedel, holding one of the paper plate hats. It featured dangling cut-outs made to match the different motherly tasks.

Those hats, as well as all the other specially made Mother's Day gifts, will be presented to the moms during a Friday morning breakfast at the Drake Road nursery school.

Cindy Aguirre, 5, plans to give her Mom one of the heart pins being made in kindergarten teacher Ronna Rives' class.

Given the way Cindy and her classmates feel, it's quite an appropriate gift.

"I love her," Cindy said with a smile and a shrug, describing why she thinks her Mom is special.

# School kids say thanks in many ways

Elementary school pupils in the West Bloomfield and Walled Lake school districts this week are seemingly coming up with 100 ways to say thanks to their moms.

Following is a small sampling of special Mother's Day thank-you efforts taking place:

At Doherty Elementary School in West Bloomfield, kindergarten and first-grade classes will host Mother's Day teas throughout this week; second-grade pupils will present heart-shaped buttons; third graders are making hand-made gifts and cards; fourth graders will give moms cookbooks they put together; fifth-grade pupils will distribute "We Love You Mom" certificates.

Not to be outdone on Mom's behalf are pupils at Decker Elementary School in the Walled Lake district.

Here are some of the things youngsters are doing at Decker, on a grade-by-grade basis:

Kindergarten: handprint pictures and flower bouquets; first grade: personalized stationery, "My Mom is Wonderful" flowerpot books, painted T-shirts; second grade: cards and handprint coupon books; third grade: flower cards complete with children's pictures; fourth grade: cards, coupons and "real" flowers; fifth grade: individual plants, cards and coupon books; sixth grade: flowers, cards and poetry.


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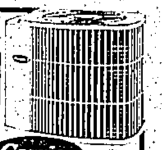
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### BIDDING NOTICE

The Clarenceville School District will be accepting bids for the following auditorium needs at Clarenceville Senior High School, 20155 Middlebelt Road, Livonia, 48152:

Auditorium Carpeting Replacement
Band Shell Repair/Refurbishing
Chair Renovations
Theatrical Rigging Repair/Replacement
Portable Lectern Replacement

Copy of specifications are available at 28832 W. 8 Mile Road, Farmington Hills. Any questions regarding the above should be directed to Mr. Grover G. Lewis at 473-8945 Monday-Friday between the hours of 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Bids are due May 28, 1992 at 4:00 p.m.

The Clarenceville School District will be accepting bids on the sanding and refinishing of the auditorium stage floor at the Clarenceville Senior High School, 20155 Middlebelt Road, Livonia, 48152. Copies of specifications are available at 28832 W. 8 Mile Road, Farmington Hills. Any questions regarding the above should be directed to Mr. Grover G. Lewis at 473-8945 Monday-Friday between the hours of 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Bids are due May 14, 1992 at 4:00 p.m.

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### NOTICE OF SEIZURE AND INTENTION TO FORFEIT AND DISPOSE OF PROPERTY

Please take notice that the following described property was seized from:

Ali Ibrahim — 1649 Lawrence — Detroit, Michigan 48206
Name — Address — City/State/Zip

On 3-11-92 by the Farmington Hills Police Department pursuant to 1978 P.A. 368, MCL 333.7522. The property seized is more fully described as follows:

Five Hundred Sixteen dollars in assorted U.S. currency.

Since the total value of the seized property does not exceed $50,000.00 it is the intent of the seizing agency to forfeit and dispose of the described property according to the provisions of Article 7 of the Public Health Code, 1978 P.A. 368 as amended, MCL 333.7521, et. seq.

If you or any person claiming an interest in the described property wish to challenge the seizure and forfeiture of the property or wish to claim with the seizing agency at the above address within 20 days after receipt of this notice (or of the date of the first publication of this notice in the newspaper), and you must give a bond to the sureties approved by the seizing unit of government conditioned that in case the property is ordered forfeited by the court, the obligor (you, the claimant) shall pay all the costs and expenses of the forfeiture proceedings. Upon receipt of a proper written claim and bond, a court action will be filed to decide the issue of forfeiture. MCL 333.7523. Failure to file a claim of interest and bond with sureties within the 20 days shall cause the listed property to be declared forfeited and be disposed of according to law.

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### FARMINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
### NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION

An Annual Election will be held in the Farmington Public School District on the 8th day of June, 1992

THEREFORE, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the last day which unregistered persons may register in order to be able to vote at said election is

Monday, May 11, 1992
up to 5:00 P.M. Eastern Daylight Saving Time

Applications for registration should be made to the clerk of the city or township in which the elector resides. Registration will be received during regular office hours Monday through Friday of each week. Farmington City residents may register at City Hall, 23600 Liberty Street. Farmington Hills residents may register at the Farmington Hills City Hall, 31555 Eleven Mile Road. West Bloomfield Township residents may register at the West Bloomfield Township Hall, 4550 Walnut Lake Road. Registrations will also be received at the branches of the Michigan Secretary of State.

Persons already registered upon the registration books of such city or township need not re-register.

Absentee ballot applications will be available at the Lewis Schulman Administrative Center, 32500 Shiawassee, until 2:00 P.M., Saturday, June 6, 1992.

Dated: March 17, 1992

CATHLEEN WEBB,
Secretary, Board of Education

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### FARMINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
### ON THE BUDGET FOR 1992-93

Pursuant to Public Act 621 of the 1978 Legislature, Farmington Public Schools will hold a public hearing of its budget for the 1992-93 school year.

The hearing will be held as a part of a special meeting of the Board of Education for the Farmington Public School District at the Lewis Schulman Center, 32500 Shiawassee, commencing at 7:15 p.m. on Tuesday, May 19, 1992.

Copies of the budget for inspection by citizens will be available at the Farmington Public Elementary Schools and Farmington Public Libraries from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, from May 6, 1992 through June 2, 1992.

CATHLEEN WEBB,
Secretary, Board of Education

Publish: May 7, 1992

### NOTICE OF SEIZURE AND INTENTION TO FORFEIT AND DISPOSE OF PROPERTY

Please take notice that the following described property was seized from:

David Kash — 15445 Plainview — Detroit, Michigan 48228
Name — Address — City/State/Zip

on 1-10-92 by the Farmington Hills Police Department pursuant to 1978 P.A. 368 MCL 333.7522. The property seized is more fully described as follows:

$700.00 in U.S. currency.

Since the total value of the seized property does not exceed $50,000.00 it is the intent of the seizing agency to forfeit and dispose of the described property according to the provisions of Article 7 of the Public Health Code, 1978 P.A. 368 as amended, MCL 333.7521, et. seq.

If you or any person claiming an interest in the described property wish to challenge the seizure and forfeiture of the property or wish to claim with the seizing agency at the above address within 20 days after receipt of this notice (or of the date of the first publication of this notice in the newspaper), and you must give a bond to the sureties approved by the seizing unit of government conditioned that in case the property is ordered forfeited by the court, the obligor (you, the claimant) shall pay all the costs and expenses of the forfeiture proceedings. Upon receipt of a proper written claim and bond, a court action will be filed to decide the issue of forfeiture. MCL 333.7523. Failure to file a claim of interest and bond with sureties within the 20 days shall cause the listed property to be declared forfeited and be disposed of according to law.

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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
### PROPOSED SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

### CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS
### OAKLAND COUNTY
### 31555 ELEVEN MILE ROAD
### FARMINGTON HILLS, MICHIGAN 48336

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ROAD IMPROVEMENTS Special Assessment Roll No. C-248 in the amount of $590,000.00, for the construction of Road Improvements in said City to be located as follows:

| STREET | FROM | TO |
|---|---|---|
| Eldon | Middlebelt | Canfield |
| Grayfield | Middlebelt | Watt |
| Canfield | Southerly Terminus | Grayfield |
| Elmgrove | Southerly Terminus | Northerly Terminus |
| Watt | Southerly Terminus | Norherly Terminus |

has been filed in the office of the City Clerk for public examination, along with the costs of said project which are proposed as follows:

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| TOTAL COST OF PROJECT: | $ 590,000.00 |
| PERCENT OF COST ASSESSED TO DISTRICT: | 89.04% |
| TOTAL COST TO DISTRICT: | $ 525,400.00 |
| AVERAGE COST PER BASE UNIT TO BE ASSESSED: | $ 3,854.27 |

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the City Council will meet in the City Hall Council Chambers, 31555 Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills, Michigan, on the 11th day of May, 1992, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., Eastern Daylight Time, to review said Special Assessment Roll and to hear any objection thereto.

Appearance and protest of the special assessment at the hearing is required in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal. An owner of or party in interest in property to be assessed, or his or her agent, may appear in person to protest the special assessment, or may protest the special assessment by letter filed with the City Clerk at or prior to the time of the hearing, in which case appearance in person is not required. If the special assessment is protested as provided above, the owner or any party having an interest in the real property may file a written appeal of the special assessment with the Michigan Tax Tribunal or other court of competent jurisdiction within 30 days after the confirmation of the special assessment roll.

THIS NOTICE IS GIVEN BY ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL.

PHONE: 473-9566

KATHRYN A. DORNAN,
City Clerk

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Publish: April 30 and May 7, 1992

### CITY OF FARMINGTON
### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
### TO REVIEW THE PROPOSED BUDGET AND TAX RATE FOR FISCAL YEAR 1992-93

The City Council of the City of Farmington will hold a Public Hearing at 8:00 p.m., on Monday, May 18, 1992, in the Council Chambers in City Hall, 23600 Liberty Street, Farmington, Michigan 48335, on the proposed 1992 tax levy and on the proposed 1992-93 city operating and debt service millage rates.

The recommended budget will be funded by the same tax rate as levied in the prior year. The proposed operating tax levy for city general operation and charter limited debt service is 10.0951 mills ($10.0951 per $1,000 of State Equalized Valuation, (SEV) for debt service. The total proposed millage rate for 1992 will be $13.67 mills ($13.67 per $2,000 SEV). The millage rate will not provide an increase in the operating and debt service property tax revenues.

Public comments, oral or written, are welcome at the hearing on the proposed millage rate and on the proposed budget for FY 1992-93.

Summary of the FY 1992-93 budget follows:

*GENERAL FUND REVENUES*

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| Local Taxes | $2,546,300 |
| Licenses & Permits | 51,970 |
| Intergovernmental Revenues | 61,260 |
| State Shared Revenues | 730,000 |
| Charges of Services | 454,900 |
| Sales | 11,600 |
| Miscellanous | 524,050 |
| Transfers from Other Funds | 209,765 |
| Appropriation - Fund Balance | 171,935 |
| Total General Fund Revenues. | $4,761,780 |

HIGHWAY FUND REVENUES

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| Gas & Weight Taxes | $ 318,045 |
| Contracts & Grants | 68,050 |
| Transfers & Assessments: | 818,877 |
| Total Highway Fund Revenues: | $1,204,972 |

DEBT SERVICE FUND REVENUES

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| General Debt Service | $1,137,205 |
| Special Assessment Debt Service | 584,258 |
| Total Debt Service Fund Revenues: | $1,721,463 |

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND REVENUES

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| Investment & Interest Income | $ 30,000 |
| Appropriation, Fund Equity | 260,500 |
| Total Capital Improvement Fund Revenues: | $ 290,500 |

WATER & SEWER FUND REVENUES

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|---|---|
| Water & Sewer Sales | $1,598,880 |
| Service Fees | 25,950 |
| Miscellaneous Revenues | 44,200 |
| Total Water & Sewer Fund Revenues: | $1,669,030 |

TOTAL REVENUES - ALL FUNDS

GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES

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|---|---|
| General Government | $1,042,150 |
| Public Safety | 1,485,090 |
| Public Services | 865,340 |
| Parks & Recreation | 159,050 |
| Library | 193,250 |
| Miscellaneous | 98,420 |
| Insurance, Fixed Expenditures | 867,420 |
| Interfund & Debt Service Transfers | 51,060 |
| Total General Fund Expenditures. | $4,761,780 |

HIGHWAY FUND EXPENDITURES

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|---|---|
| Construction | $ 478,000 |
| Operating & Maintenance | 622,322 |
| Debt Service | 104,650 |
| Total Highway Fund Experience: | $1,204,972 |

DEBT SERVICE FUND EXPENDITURES

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|---|---|
| General Debt Service | $1,137,205 |
| Special Assessment Debt Service | 584,258 |
| Total Deb Service Fund Expenditures: | $1,721,463 |

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND EXPENDITURES

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|---|---|
| Transfers - Other Funds | $ 290,500 |
| Total Capital Improvement Fund Expenditures: | $ 290,500 |

WATER & SEWER FUND EXPENDITURES

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|---|---|
| Operating & Maintenance | $1,658,435 |
| Transfer to Capital Replacement | 10,595 |
| Transfers to Retained Earnings | -0- |
| Total Water & Sewer Fund Expenditures: | $1,669,030 |

TOTAL EXPENDITURES - ALL FUNDS: $9,647,745

JOSEPHINE M. BUSHEY, City Clerk

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