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150th plans outlined; 2 win in theme design

Lynne Dorando, a senior at Farmington High, and Laura Herzog, a senior at Our Lady of Mercy, have the unusual honor of sharing design credits for the logotype of the Farmington sesquicentennial celebration.

A contest run by the Farmington Arts Council, directed by Mrs. Mario Belanger and Mrs. Patricia Molnar ended with the selection of two designs.

How can two designs be incorporated into a single theme? Simple, says the arts council.

Miss Dorando illustrated a corner of the Masonic Temple in downtown Farmington for her entry. Miss Herzog used two representative Quakers.

The arts council decided to superimpose the two for the main logotype, incorporating

them both, and also use them for two sides of a coin planned to be issued as part of the celebration.

Miss Dorando's entry also incorporated the slogan "faith in our past - pride in our future," written by Scott Terrill.

Plans for the sesquicentennial are well under way, under the direction of John Aghut, chairman of the planning committee.

Committee membership was recently expanded to include Judge Michael J. Hand, Marie Faunce, and Rev. Carl Schultz.

A kickoff luncheon March 8 begins the year-long "birthday party."

This will be followed by a costume party at the community center later in the month.

The Alistar Cooke film

series will be featured at the library in April.

On May 16, the Michigan Lottery will hold a million-dollar drawing at the Botsford Inn, followed by Michigan Week and the Memorial Day Parade, all with a 150th theme.

The annual Chamber dance, the Jaycee rodeo, and Founder's Festival will all have historical themes.

July 28, a sunrise service will culminate the activities.



LOGO WINNERS' and their designs are Lynne Dorando (left), and Laura Herzog (far right). Mrs. Beverly Ellis, of the Farmington Arts Council, and Ed Lane, executive secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, congratulate the winners. (Evert photo)

Burglars caught in chase

Farmington city police chased and caught two burglary suspects accused of breaking into Kramer Jewelers front window with a shotgun barrel last week.

Kenneth McGowan and Ralph Hopkins, both of Detroit, were charged with breaking and entering of the jewelry store in the Farmington Plaza shopping center.

The noise of breaking glass attracted the attention of employees at the bakery next door, who then phoned the police.

Two squad cars cut off the escaping suspects at Grand River and Farmington Rd. When they were stopped, a quantity of suspected narcotics, a rifle and shotgun were confiscated, according to police reports.



Snow job

"A BIG SNOW-JOB is how Keith Warren, of 25540 Orchard Lake, describes this snow sculpture of Richard Nixon, gracing the front lawn of his home. Warren, a graphic designer, said he has made other elaborate sculptures in the past. He got a cold making this one. (Photo by Ralph Evert)

New Hills zoning law coming up for hearing

A complete "rewriting" of the Farmington Hills zoning law - the product of three years of study by the planning commission, will be up for a public hearing Jan. 14 at 8 p.m. in the Farmington Hills city hall.

"The major change is in the section under special service areas," Mrs. Grace Richardson, of the planning commission, said.

The new ordinance would allow the planning commission to review special service uses, which now are either not reviewed or go before the zoning board of appeals.

These special uses include such things as restaurants allowed in office zoning.

Other changes include adding several categories to duplicate the former zoning of Wood Creek and Quakertown, promised during the

campaign for the new city charter.

Setback and lot size requirements, with minor exceptions in the nonresidential districts, will not be altered.

Distances between buildings in the multiple-family zones will be controlled through the use of a formula based on the height and length of buildings which will improve these buildings' relationships.

Multiple-family densities are not changed.

A new provision will require open, green space in the front yard of every commercial development.

The ordinance will also provide for the use of an earth berm as an alternative to a wall as a separation between residential and non-residential uses.

Off street parking will be

updated. New provisions relating to residential fences, flood plains, access to major thoroughfares for specified uses and the storage of recreation vehicles are proposed.

Copies of the new ordinance may be obtained from the city clerk's office.

Chamber wants more entries

The Farmington Chamber of Commerce's "citizen of the year" entries, due Jan. 10, are coming in slowly, according to Ed Lane, executive secretary of the chamber.

The annual award goes to the Farmington area resident who has done an outstanding job of contributing to the community during the past year.

recreation vehicles are proposed.

Copies of the new ordinance may be obtained from the city clerk's office.

An entry can come from any source, either an individual or group, according to Lane.

"A statement of the activities of the individual should accompany the entry, as well as biographical background.

Judging will take place shortly before the annual president's ball, Jan. 30.



BOB EADY earned the rank of eagle scout with Troop 48 by creating an after school recreation activity program for Farmington schools. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Eady, former Farmington Hills residents, now of Niles. The troop is sponsored by North Farmington Baptist Church.

Rhoda Rennard dies in home

Mrs. Rhoda Rennard, 76, a longtime resident who founded and operated the Huron River Hunting and Fishing Club with her late husband, Eugene, died Christmas Day. Funeral services were Dec. 22 at Thayer Funeral Home with the Rev. Carl H. Schultz of Salem United Church of Christ of Farmington officiating. Burial was in Glen Eden Cemetery.

Mrs. Rennard, a native of England, died at Oakhill Nursing Home after a two year illness. She had made her home in Farmington since 1934. Survivors are a daughter, Mrs. Emily Brooks of Windsor; a brother and two sisters, all residents of Ontario.

Suspects are arrested in Grand River spree

A 14-year-old juvenile and James L. Wilson, 17, of 21130 Middle Belt, have been charged with several break-ins along Grand River Ave., culminating with a six-store spree over the New Year holiday.

Farmington Hills police expect to clear more than 30 cases of breaking and entering as a result of the arrest, including approximately 22 along the Grand River stretch.

Wilson had personal bond

set at \$5,000 by Judge Michael Hand at arraignment.

He was charged with the Jan. 2 breaking and entering of FBS Associates, 29611 Grand River.

The juvenile is being held at Oakland County Juvenile Home with bond set at \$15,000. He had been previously released from the home on another charge, according to police.

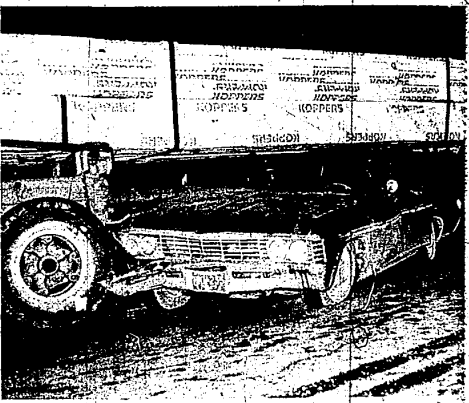
He was charged with the breaking and entering of Town and Country Dodge,

Grand River and Orchard Lake.

Director Ronald Holko, of the Farmington Hills police, said more arrests are expected soon to clear up a wave of store burglaries in the area.

There have been 22 burglaries along Grand River in the month of December.

A New Year's Eve spree left six businesses burglarized. Several were shot up with guns stolen from the stores.



DRIVER OF this car was reported in serious condition in St. Mary Hospital following the accident Friday evening on Plymouth Road east of Stark, Livonia. Bruce C. Wells, 22, of Farmington, was east-bound on Plymouth and ran his car underneath the 70-foot trailer truck that was blocking both lanes in an effort to make a turn, police said. The truck driver, J.S. Walter, 45, of Arkansas, was not seriously injured, police said. (Photo by Robert Werlinger)

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