



BOOKS ARE BOOMING - The need for that new library in Farmington was illustrated last week by viewing the overflow of books in the Farmington District Library in the city. There was

no room for the overflow so the books had to be stacked temporarily on the reading tables, leaving only one for library customers. (Ever photo)

Area Vocation Center Plans Under Study This Summer

By EMORY DANIELS
One of the most effective and dramatic phases of Farmington schools vocational programs is cooperative education,

popularly tagged "co-op." Co-op is a two-headed program consisting of supervised part-time on the job training experience and technical training in the classroom.

THE GOAL is to seek a variety of experiences for students and an open-ended employment opportunity which will provide incentive for the student to continue education in that particular field.

Co-op director for Farmington schools is Earl Baumunk. Last semester there were 66 active training stations in the Farmington area and about 100 students working in the Farmington area. Some co-op students worked in training stations in neighboring communities.

A key phase of vocational education is cooperative training. Today's article, fourth in a series on vocational education, tells about co-op programs in Farmington, Novi and West-Bloomfield.

A training station is the school's name for the business place where students receive on the job training. "We are concerned that our students have a wholesome experience in which they can learn," explains Baumunk. "The training stations must be clean and safe. We don't accept all business places for our students."

The school seeks an employer with a good tolerance level and tries to match the student's interests and abilities with the requirements of the job situation.

Every six weeks, the employer evaluates his co-op worker and passes on the evaluation to the school. The student is then graded on his classroom training and work experience.

By working part of the school day under competent supervision of the employer, the student learns practical skills and knowledge which contributes to his growth and development.

ment as an effective citizen. The student must be 16 years or older, be a junior or senior, and have the consent of his parents before enrolling in cooperative education.

In many jobs, the student must have an entry skill before being accepted. An example would be the ability to type to qualify for an office job. The employer agrees to offer reasonably continuous employment to the student during the working week. He also agrees to diversify the work experience according to a prearranged plan.

The plan, devised by the school and employer, outlines steps permitting the student to learn the vocation in the most logical manner. In all respects, the employer is viewed as a teacher.

The student agrees to follow the rules and policies of the employer and school during the training period. He also agrees to perform the duties of the job and follow the training plan.

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Canterbury Commons

By JOANNE TAKAI 626-1786

Have you met your new neighbors? If you haven't dropped in to say hello, do it now.

To Murland, south of Bond, the H. Richard Johnsons have come, most recently from Manistee. Their children include Rex, 13, Mary, 10, and Timothy, 8.

From New Jersey, John and Marjorie Lorensini have come to Farmington. They have a daughter, 18, and a son 24, who is now in Vietnam.

Henry and Marjorie McArdie have brought daughters Cathy, 18, and Patti, 16, to live on Hargrove Court, from San Carlos, Calif.

Moving recently from Pennsylvania are Thomas and Jane Derr. They and children Jeffrey, 12, and Kathy, 10, are now residing on Thorndyke Court. Welcome to all of you and we

hope you will like Canterbury Commons.

THE HURRICKS, of Valley Side, along with their children Cindy, Linda, Janice and Nicky are back from a motor trip to Indian Rocks Beach, Fla. They also visited Cypress Gardens on their way to the east coast of Florida to visit Grandma.

Bill Kalich and son Brian, of Farmington, have returned from a five-day fishing and boating trip to Lake Cumberland in Kentucky. They camped out by the lake and roughed it. Brian caught several large-mouth bass, but Dad enjoyed the water skiing.

The boys of Boy Scout Troop 46 had a marvelous time at Camp Agawan, the week of July 4. It only rained one day, which is something of a minor record for this troop which has

had a series of bad weather camp-outs.

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On Wednesdays there are pop concerts; on Thursdays, film festivals; on Fridays and Saturdays, live musical comedy; and on Sundays, special programs of interest to the whole family.

At 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 2, there will be a special pop festival under the stars featuring "All the Lonely People," "The Echo Tones," and other popular groups. Admission for adults is \$2, students \$1.

Admission to the pop concerts at 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays is 50 cents and entertainment includes local rhythm and blues, rock and roll, folk and blues bands.

There is no admission charge to the film festival evenings at 8:30 p.m. Thursdays. Films will

include such classics as "The Cimarron Kid" and "Raw Wind in Eden." And Saturday's musical comedy at 8:30 p.m. is "You Got to Have, I Got to Have Love," based on "Barefoot in the Park." Admission is \$2 for adults, \$1 for students.

Tickets are on sale at the amphitheatre or at Hudson's ticket offices.

Vandals Hit Alameda

FARMINGTON Alameda Elementary School, 32400 Alameda, has been besieged by vandals in recent weeks.

Last week vandals threw rocks through 45 windows, amounting to more than \$700 in damages. Township police say they have no suspects.

This follows a similar pattern of vandalism at the school last summer.

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