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Denise Giudici steps back as mushrooms are flipped over by a Great Dane chef.

Delights of the kitchen learned French style

Advanced French language students from Harrison and Farmington High schools managed to mix laughter and demonstration in a crowded kitchen to create a gourmet brunch at the Great Dane restaurant recently.

Junior and senior students visiting parents and restaurant employees remarked at the lack of space as they peered their way through the kitchen to observe chefs Douglas Douglas and Kurt Schulz demonstrate their culinary skills.

It's like a Chinese fire drill," laughed visiting parent Chef Majeski of Farmington Hills.

There's too many people here!" he said. Combining French and English instruc-



Investigating the results of his instructions, Douglas Douglas, checks the consistency of the batter while Mary McCaughey watches. (Staff photos by Harry Mauthe)

tion, the chefs showed the students how to prepare a bunch of onion soup, quiche lorraine and chocolate fondue.

The girls in the class, taught by Denise Giudici, a student teacher from Farmington Hills, were awarded the slightly more glamorous chore of helping to prepare the food, while the boys were relegated to the cellar, chopping lettuce.

It's an art," stated Bruce Mass of Farmington Hills, wielding a mean carving knife in the main kitchen area.

Emily Burke was learning how to carry a pan of quiche lorraine to the large black oven without spilling a drop.

Her secret? "I took deep breaths," she confided. "It's a rare learning experience for them," said Barbara McCaughey, her daughter, Mary, was helping to arrange a fruit plate for the fondue.

After a lesson crepe making, the students were taught another restaurant technique—how to set a table.

Volunteers trooped out of the narrow confines of the kitchen and into the relatively quiet dining area.

Volunteers were assembled to wait on tables as their fellow culinary novices sat down to enjoy the results of the experiment. But students were divided on which dish rated top honors.

Sue Hatt of Farmington High School chose the quiche lorraine as her favorite. Susan Duthim, also of Farmington High, picked the onion soup as the outstanding course.

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The intersection also causes problems because of inadequate pedestrian sidewalks across the Shiawassee Bridge and the "reverse topographical" conditions that exist on Shiawassee west of the intersection, said Deadman.

Shiawassee is on a deep, downhill slope heading east. Many times the road is blocked by cars attempting to turn north onto Farmington Road.

Although Deadman is unsure how the city would finance its share of the project, he urged the council to approve the grant application so the city wouldn't end up financing the project by itself in future years.

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If the city had rejected the offer, future approval would have been unlikely. Deadman warned the council.

Task force targets schools for closing

Parents with students in Ten Mile and Fairview elementary schools could be sending their children to other facilities on the district within the next two years.

The Farmington School District Task Force on Declining Enrollments has recommended the two buildings be closed.

Actual closing of the facilities depends on the decision of the Farmington school board. The board will hear the report at an open study session in December.

The force recommends that Ten Mile Elementary be closed during the 1977-78 school year. It also advises the Fairview should be closed during the 1978-79 year.

If the recommendation is accepted, students from Ten Mile would be transferred to Larbourn, Shiawassee, Alameda, Flanders, and Middle Belt schools.

Fairview students would be sent to Kimbrook, Eagle and Highmeadow schools. The force's report held little hope for a resurgence in the now declining student population within the next five or six years.

Stanley Hecker, education professor at Michigan State University, who is the task force's consultant.

The declining birth rate has resulted in smaller kindergarten and grade school classes. Hecker expected that Michigan kindergartens will have their smallest enrollment in recent history during 1979.

"I don't know what fall will look like," he said. "The birth rates so far for this year indicate another small kindergarten in 1981. I see declining enrollments through three, four, maybe five or six years ahead."

Hecker agreed with the suggestion that the district could possibly close about five schools by the middle of the next decade.

Although the force agreed that two schools should be closed, there was discussion about the majority choice.

Force members Leon Eagon of West Bloomfield, plans to present his minority in which he favors the closing of Alameda instead of Ten Mile.

There are more classrooms in Ten Mile than Alameda. So for future growth, Ten Mile would be able to accept increases within the district's boundaries," he said.

"WITH THE closing of Alameda as five 10 classrooms. With Ten Miles closing, we'll lose 17," he said.

There is easier access to Ten Mile. It's in a more populated area," he added.

Changes in the number of children moving into an area as well as different patterns of migration from the city to less developed areas have taken their toll on Farmington's school district.

Some neighborhoods are getting second families with one or no children," said force member Richard Wallace.

We have no way of knowing what types of families will move into a neighborhood. There will be pockets of steady enrollments," Wallace said.

School administrators should be aware of the changes in the student population of each particular area, according to Hecker.

What is happening in the neighborhood is what is happening in the 58 intermediate school districts in the state that we have studied," Hecker said.

City dwellers are moving further away from the metropolitan area and into less developed towns. Larger Brownstown and Livonia counties are experiencing an increase in their enrollments.



Mary McCaughey artfully arranges the fruit plate for the chocolate fondue as she separates the strawberries, pineapple slices, apple slices, pears and tangerines into a pleasing plate.



Emily Burke takes a deep breath and carries the quiche to the oven while classmates cheer her on.

On Shiawassee hill Downhill ride could be made safer

That precarious downhill ride through the Shiawassee and Farmington Road intersection could get a little safer if a federal grant is approved to widen it.

The City of Farmington Council passed a resolution this week to apply for a \$115,125 grant from the Federal Aid Urban System Fund.

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The approval is authorized for one year. If at the end of that time construction hasn't begun or isn't imminent, the Oakland County Task Force is prepared to grant other communities with said projects may

upon review, reallocate the federal funds," he said.

"At the end of the year, if our program hasn't begun, the project would still be eligible for future federal funding, but would have to compete with other grant appli-

cations on file at the time of our resubmittal.

The intersection improvement proposes to widen Shiawassee east and west of Farmington Road for approximately 200

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THE ARREST CAME last Friday night at the home of Massenberg's grandmother who lived less than a mile from Olympia. He was found hiding under a mattress in a bedroom, according to James Harris, one of the arresting officers.

"I don't know anything," police quoted Massenberg as saying. No weapon was found in a search of Massenberg's home.

Another youth is being held in protective custody at Detroit Police Headquarters as a potential witness in the case. He told police that he and Massenberg were approaching Jones, when Massenberg said, "Let's get him."

The witness told police he ran from the scene to avoid taking part in the hold-up but looked back after he heard a shot. He claims to have seen Massenberg standing over Jones' prostrate body.

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