

Farmington spruces up for annual awards

Keep Farmington Beautiful celebrated its 10th annual awards luncheon in a big way last Wednesday as more than 100 persons packed the Masonic Temple to see 42 plaques awarded to Farmington businesses.

Program Chairwomen Carol Kurth reviewed the history of the award ceremony by noting that 14 awards were given the first year. The program awards have increased every year.

Farmington businesses are rated by KFB on how they keep up their buildings and grounds. Those with the most total points are awarded plaques. Also awarded are certificates for downtown sidewalk businesses, shopping centers and honorable mentions in each of the categories.

Farmington's Shirley Richardson, executive director of Keep Michigan Beautiful, announced that the Masonic Temple would be receiving a top state award from KMB for the overhaul given the building last year.

Masonic members have fixed up the inside and outside of the building in the past year.

She also announced that the KMB state headquarters would be moving to the City of Farmington soon. Headquarters are now in Southfield.

Initially, the group will be in the First Farmington Savings and Loan building. After that it will be to the city hall.

Joan Barbarick gave an award to Mrs. Kurth for her involvement throughout the years with KFB.

"She is never afraid to knock on doors to tell businessmen to cut the grass or fix something. Yet she does it in such a way that the businessmen willingly comply," said Mrs. Barbarick.

Farmington Eagle Scout Steven Hill was recognized for his study of trees in the Farmington area.

Two businesses, Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home and Lawrence Mayer Florists, were honored for winning plaques for 10 years consecutively.

Awarded a plaque for the seventh time was the Huron River Hunting and Fishing Club.

First Federal Savings took away a plaque for the ninth year.

Five-year winners included Salem United Church of Christ, Plaza Pet Complex, Ray Interiors and the Farmington Parish Credit Union.

Tom Duke, who went into business for himself this year, also was awarded a plaque.

Business plaques were awarded to Dr. Walter DeMattia, Farmington Professional Park, Burger King, Burger Chef, Gordon Meyers, Inc., Castle Inc., Drakeshire Professional Center, National Bank of Detroit-main branch, National Bank of Detroit-Lakeway, Oakhill Nursing Home, Dr. Ronald

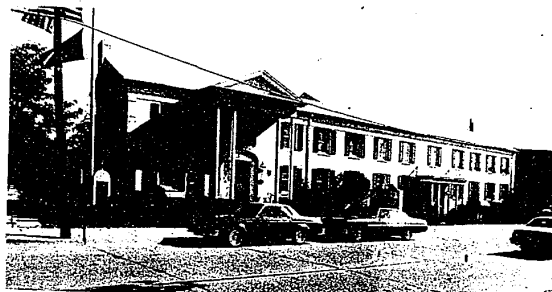
Barr, Metropolitan National Bank, Ricard of Farmington, Professional Pavilion, Metropolitan Center Office Building and Village Animal Clinic. An industry plaque was awarded to the American Screw Co.

Auto services winning plaques were Strye Standard Service and the Farmington Alta-Loma Shell. Civic recognition awards were given to the City of Farmington city hall and the Farmington Community Library.

Churches winning recognition were the First Baptist Church of Farmington, Our Lady of Sorrows Church and the First United Methodist Church.

Winning apartments were River Glen Condominiums, Wynset Condominiums, Heritage Village Condominiums, Kingslane Apartments, Kingslane Co-op and Anderson Apartments.

Always looking good is the Lawrence Mayer Florists, which is the second 10-year winner of the Keep Farmington Beautiful awards presentations.



A big winner in this year's Keep Farmington Beautiful competition was the Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home, which won an award for the 10th consecutive year. (Staff photos by Harry Mauthe)



The corner of Grand River and Farmington got a new look on the northeast quadrant this year when the Korner Barbers gave itself a trim.



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LET'S START OUT

with some good news. A note from the state Attorneys General's office says that if you receive an incorrect electric, gas or telephone bill, you don't have to pay the disputed portion until after the case has been considered in a special hearing process. If you and the utility are unable to resolve the dispute, the company will inform you of your right to a hearing before a utility hearing officer, who is employed by the utility. You then have three days in which to request a hearing. This may be done orally. While awaiting the hearing, you are required to pay that part of your bill which is not in question. You cannot be required to pay any current bill before the due date. If you and the utility are unable to agree as to the amount in dispute, you may be required to pay 50 per cent of the amount the company says you owe, but not more than \$100. If, in the end, your position is upheld, your money will be refunded, plus six per cent. At least two days before appearing in front of the utility hearing officer, you may examine a list of all witnesses who will testify and all the documents, records, files account data and similar material which might be used at the hearing. You have a right to question company witnesses at the hearing. The burden of proof rests with the utility company in all cases. If you're unsatisfied with the utility hearing officer's decision, you may file an appeal with the Consumer Services Division of the Michigan Public Service Commission (PSC). If you appeal within five days of the utility hearing officer's decision, your service will not be discontinued. Your appeal may be made by phoning the PSC at (517) 373-8590 or toll free at (800) 292-9555. If dissatisfied with the Consumer Services Division, you may appeal to the full commission.

THANKS TO BERNIE CHRISTY

who responded to the item on advice for babysitters. The veteran volunteer police officer also recommends that babysitters be sure and know the address of the home at which they are babysitting. He says that in previous years when volunteers dispatched calls, many babysitters would call for help and were unable to give the address of the home at which they were sitting.

CONGRATULATIONS TO Bruce Kratt,

10, of Farmington Hills, who recently won the second level pass-punt-kick competition sponsored locally by Tom Holzer Ford. The next level for the district championship will be in Dearborn with the winner moving to the Silverdome. Bruce, who has played soccer for the last five years in the Western Suburban League play, was a member of the Farmington Flyer Green Machine team. This

team has been undefeated after winning league honors and cup playoff competition for the last two spring terms. Matched against 32 top teams in the Detroit area, this team won the competition at the Detroit Soccerfest at Oakland University last spring. Bruce had the winning goal in the final games as the Flyers beat an undefeated St. Clair Shores team by 1-0. As an acknowledgement, the team was honored at the Silverdome by the Detroit Express. Bruce also plays little league football with the Farmington Rockets. Ponies and kicked an extra point on a fine team effort recently. It was the first time ever in the 21-year history of the franchise. He is a student at Longacre Elementary.

FREE IMMUNIZATIONS will be offered by the Oakland County Division of Health in Farmington at the First Methodist Church, Warner and Grand River, on Nov. 9 from 9 a.m.-noon. Immunizations for measles, German measles, mumps, polio, diphtheria, tetanus and whooping cough are available. A parent or guardian must accompany a child under 18 years old. Bring any previous records of immunizations.

RUN SILENT, RUN DEEP. How to produce a search pattern to sink ships when playing "Battleship" by computer will be the topic of Lawrence Institute of Technology's introductory program for high school student entrants in its second annual Battleship tournament. "Battleship" is provided for members of the Detroit Metropolitan High School Mathematics Club (DHSMC) by the college sponsor. Monthly competitions will commence after the first meeting Oct. 29 from 1-4 p.m. in room S-111 of the LIT Arts and Science building. DHSMC is open to all students in the Detroit area high schools interested in learning more about mathematics. For more information call Zaven Margosian, at 366-0200, ext. 104 or 61.

CLAYTON DAVIS, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Sowercraft, 29100 Lorlay Drive, Farmington recently was a member of the cast of "Hellzapoppin," a collection of well-known songs, dances and comic and vaudeville routines, which was staged at Northern Michigan University in Marquette. Clayton is a freshman majoring in marketing management at NMU.

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