



### Making a choice

Greg Kula, an employee of the Postal Service in Farmington, has a big decision to make every day as he comes to this bank of mailboxes

in front of a trailer park on Haggerty, north of Grand River. (Staff photo by Randy Borst)

## Tax supporters score victory in battle over race betting

State Senator Doug Ross, D-Oak Park, says he has scored a major victory in the Senate by amending a bill which would have made race track winnings exempt from Michigan income tax.

Ross said Senator Bill Huffman, D-Madison Heights, co-sponsored the amended version of the bill, which would allow the state to continue taxing earnings of \$1,000 or more — but not at the betting window.

"There's still the question of how the state would collect the money. But half the battle is won, assuming the Senate passes the bill with the amendment and the House agrees with it," Ross said.

Race track losses also would be deducted from taxable winnings in the amended version of House Bill 4531.

The original bill, sponsored by state Reps. Michael Griffin, D-Jackson, and Dana Wilson, D-Hazel Park, would have eliminated a 4.6 percent state withholding tax on winnings of \$1,000 or more at the betting window.

Twenty percent of such winnings are collected at the window in federal income tax.

Griffin said the legislation would

make Michigan's six race tracks more competitive with Windsor Raceway, where winnings are not taxed.

The state continues to collect between 5½ percent and 7½ percent of every dollar bet at the race track on a daily basis.

Ross objected to the original bill on grounds that it would cost the State Treasury more than a half million dollars.

Ross said today and tomorrow, the Senate will discuss ways for the state to enforce collection.

## Group to plan goals

The Citizens for More Responsible Government (CFMRG) will hold a meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 1 at the Farmington Community Library to discuss future steps with a petition plan and election issues.

The group will discuss the present status of their petition drive, which has

been left in the hands of the Farmington Hills City Council.

The petitions were presented to the council Oct. 8 and request the ordinance for rezoning the property at Freedom and Drake roads to multiple family zoning be either repealed or submitted to voters to decide.

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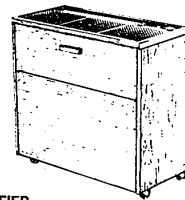
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The Detroit Data Processing Management Association Chapter announced plans to present the special two-day workshop called "Project Management: A 4th Generation Approach."

The seminar will be conducted Oct. 29 and 30 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Orchard Ridge campus.

Registration and additional information can be obtained from Cobbins at 476-9400.

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