

## Carrier of the Month Farmington



Mat Raedle

Mat Raedle, of Farmington Hills is the Farmington Observer Carrier of the Month for April. Mat is the son of Edgar and Patricia Raedle and the brother of Michelle and Trisha. A student at Bozhan Junior High School in Farmington, Mat has a B average on his eighth grade report card. Math and gym are his favorite subjects. In the fall he will attend Catholic Central High School. He hopes to study engineering someday. Model building and target practice are his hobbies. He is a member of the South Farmington Baseball League. He took a Second Honors at school and was the recipient of a service award.

If you want to be a Farmington Carrier, Call 591-0500

## Celebration slated for Detroit's isle

Belle Isle begins its 10th birthday celebration on Saturday, May 26, and citizens from all over metropolitan Detroit are being invited to join in the many festivities set for that date.

The Detroit Recreation Department is looking for high school bands, clowns or community groups in-

terested in participating in the Belle Isle Birthday Parade.

Other activities planned for that date, although not yet completed, include a giant square dance, a reunion of those couples married on Belle Isle, and a balloon release with each balloon containing a prize. Belle Isle is, of course,

much older than a mere 100 years, but 1979 marks its 100th year of ownership by Detroit. The island remained in the hands of Detroiters Barnabas Campau from 1817 until 1879, when he sold it to the city for \$200,000.

The Detroit Recreation Department and other area groups are sponsoring a series of special birthday events to be held on the island throughout the year.

The celebration will focus on two dates — May 26 and Sept. 23 (the actual anniversary of the Belle Isle Purchase).

City officials have planned a giant birthday party for Sept. 23, along with a historical pageant and treasure hunt.

Citizens interested in participating in the Belle Isle parade, or those couples who were married on Belle Isle and wish to join in the reunion, should call the Detroit Recreation Department at 224-1184.

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## Public housing

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take action."

William Twigg, past president of the Nardineers, a senior citizens group affiliated with the Nardin Park United Methodist Church of Farmington Hills, spoke of a duty and responsibility the city should have toward its senior residents.

"Many are here tonight with their minds already set," he said. "We are second-rate citizens. It doesn't make any difference to us where council puts it. We must have an independent place to live." State Rep. Wilbur Brotherton, R-Farmington, attended the meeting as observer.

Oppert-Hauser recognized requests from a dozen other residents who wanted to speak about senior citizen housing, but could not due to a council-imposed time limit of one hour. A show of hands determined that just over half of those present were opposed to the project. Some residents called for a vote to kill the issue.

"If we are awarded the project, there will be ample public hearings on rezoning," Oppert-Hauser said.

## Headlee amendment

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"State senators should be made aware that their colleagues on the house side didn't get away with their loophole attempt without taxpayer alarm," said Headlee.

Headlee is urging support of a bill fostered by state Sen. Gary Corbin, D-Clio, which he believes fulfills 90 percent of the Headlee amendment intent.

"The limit for property tax increase in 1979 is 7.7 percent. An amendment to Sen. Corbin's Bill 202 should contain that limitation," he said.

Headlee also said that the Michigan Education Association (MEA) is influencing the votes of the state legislature.

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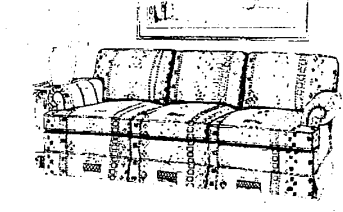
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