

# Farmington libraries map out summer activities

By DENISE MOLL

There's a summer of fun beginning this month at both branches of the Farmington Community Library. Join us for programs and activities for all ages or just drop in for a cool respite from the season.

On June 12, registration begins for our summer programs for young adults and children. All registrations must be made in person at the library where the program will be offered. Farmington and Farmington Hills residents will be given first preference.

The Farmington Branch Library invites young adults who are entering seventh grade and up to join our Dramatic Arts Workshop to be offered

from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Wednesdays from July 9-30.

Gayle Yasku, theater arts major, will instruct this course in basic dramatic interpretation and will direct the group's final project, a production of the play, "Cinderella," to be presented to pre-schoolers at library programs on August 5-6. Registration is required.

We'll again be offering the Young Adult Volunteers program at both branches of the library. YA volunteers help around the library at personally convenient times, working with library materials and helping at children's programs. Volunteers will meet twice as a group for the organizational meeting and for a final party in August. Young

Adults who wish to volunteer at the Farmington Library should attend our meeting from 2 to 3 p.m., July 25.

Those who wish to work at the Farmington Hills branch will meet there from 2 to 3 p.m., June 23.

The Farmington Hills library will once again sponsor the four-week Red Cross baby-sitting instruction course for ages 11 to 15. The class will meet from 2 to 4 p.m., Mondays, July 7-28. Since enrollment is limited, registered participants must be able to attend all sessions which are required to receive Red Cross certification.

All children who can read are invited to join this year's summer reading

club, "Passport to Books." Travel the world with us this summer through books, programs and more. Sign up for the club beginning June 12 at the library you usually frequent.

In addition to the Summer Reading Club, elementary age children are invited to join us for summer programs based on the "Passport to Books" theme. Our first program will be "African Safari" featuring the film "The Last Rhino" which will be shown from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., July 1 at the Farmington Hills library and from 2 to 3 p.m., July 3 at the Farmington library.

For younger children both libraries will be offering programs that require registration and open programs in July

and August. "The Eatgood Revival" a beginning cooking class will be offered for children who will be 4 or 5 years old as of June 1, 1980.

THIS FOUR-WEEK class will meet from 2 to 2:45 p.m., Tuesdays, July 1-22, at the Farmington Hills library and from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m., Fridays, July 18 to Aug. 8 in the Farmington library. A \$4 materials fee is due at the time of registration.

For children who will be entering kindergarten in September 1980 we will be offering "Kindergarten, Here We Come," a program emphasizing a variety of developmental activities designed to promote kindergarten readi-

ness. The class will meet from 2 to 2:45 p.m., Tuesdays, July 1-22, at the Farmington library and from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m., Thursdays, July 17 to Aug. 7, in the Farmington Hills library. Registration begins June 12 in person and by a parent only. Farmington Hills and Farmington residents receive first preference.

For full information on all of our summer programs pick up a copy of our booklet, "A Summer of Fun for the Family," at either library.

Beginning June 9, the libraries will be operating on summer hours. We'll be open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Mondays through Thursdays; from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Fridays.

## New office complex planned for area

By MARY LOU CALLAWAY

Two new office complexes will be permitted on Orchard Lake Road in West Bloomfield.

Plans for a three-story office building nearly scuttled last year in a rezoning decision won approval from the planning commission last week.

Jared Schubiner, president of Elliot Travel, expects to be the main tenant of the building on 3.25 acres across from the Beebeer restaurant and the Orchard Mall.

The commission approved Architect Sanford Rossen's petition 8-0. Commissioner Adam Sobelsky was absent.

Last May, the property was rezoned from residential to office by the commission. But the Oakland County Coordinating Committee dubbed the change "too much of an intrusion into residential development."

Neighboring Pepperhill condominium owners presented petitions asking the township board to deny the rezoning. The site is designated as transitional on the township master plan which would allow multiples or offices.

The original township board vote was deadlocked 2-2 with Trustees Weldon Yeager and Thoma Law absent. Clerk Betty Sue Dupree abstained.

In a later vote requested by Schubiner with two trustees still absent, Mrs. Dupree joined Supervisor John Doherty and Trustee Raymond Holland in voting for rezoning. Trustee Marilyn Fessler and Trustee Dennis Valtis voted against the change.

LAST WEEK, the plan again brought forth from nearby homeowners.

Ben Rivkin from West Bloomfield Lake Estates subdivision said the meeting should be to consider special use since the township's ordinance does not clearly define roof heights.

Commission Chairman Jeffrey Leib

said the height average of the building does not exceed 35 feet, but he admitted the covered elevator shaft will be higher. He equated the shaft with church steeples or chimneys which can exceed permitted heights.

"There is a roof on the elevator," Rivkin pointed out. He said later he will sue to test the township's definition. "They're putting three stories where 2 1/2 should be."

Agreeing the ordinance definition should be amended, Commissioner Thomas Papez added, "but it (shaft) is a small percentage of the building. It's an accessory."

Rivkin also challenged the height averaging. Another resident living to adjacent Pinehurst Road said the height is in violation unless a variance is granted by the appeals board.

Another office plan for four, one-story buildings was described by developer Arnold Mikon as "campus-like with a residential atmosphere. There will be no medical or dental offices."

That complex is on 4.72 acres between Northwestern Highway and Maple Road backing up to Woodcrest North subdivision.

MIKON SHOWED plans for the offices with individual courtyards, extensive landscaping and carports.

The 5-3 approval vote by the planning commission was to approve the plan but delete the covered parking. Commissioners Paul Mullin, Bruce Berghoff and Papez did not object to the carports.

Residents did back Mikon's request for substituting a wooden fence for a brick wall to save existing trees. The wall waiver, with the exception of one lot, was approved June 24.

Mikon indicated he expects to ask township approval to request low-interest financing through the newly formed Oakland County Economic Development Corporation.

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Ms. Wang, 16, was selected valedictorian from a group of several seniors who achieved a 3.85 grade point average or better. A 4.0 student, she was chosen by a faculty and administration committee.

In the past, valedictorians were honored with the other valedictorians and salutatorians at the Honors convocation.

Ms. Wang was a member of the French honor society and National Honor Society and was a volunteer tutor for students in French, mathematics and chemistry.

She will attend Harvard University in the fall in a liberal arts program before entering the school of engineering.

Glenna Temesan, 18, of Dearborn Heights, was a 4.0 student and was named the school's salutatorian. Ms. Temesan was also a member of the French Honor Society, National Honor Society and a volunteer tutor in



Babies galore

That's what Rotsford Hospital found last week as three mothers had twins. From left are Nancy Regnier with sons Jeffrey and Jonathon of Livonia; Sandy Park with son and daughter Melissa and Carl, of Dear-

born; and Carol Krimm with sons Jason and Damian, of Walled Lake. (Staff photo by Randy Borst)

## Hills scholar receives honor

David Wilson of Farmington Hills was one of 22 students inducted into the Kalamazoo College chapter of Phi Beta Kappa this year.

Membership into the academic society is based on distinguished academic performance in the liberal arts. The Kalamazoo College chapter has been in existence since 1958 and the national organization was founded in 1776, making it the oldest academic honor society in the country.

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