

# Farmington Community Band begins new season

Newcomers may join Farmington Community Band members for the first rehearsal of the 1990-91 season Tuesday, Sept. 2. The rehearsal will be in Harrison High School's bandroom, 29995 12 Mile.

Adult membership is open to all persons over the age of 18. Student membership is determined by audition.

Students who wish an audition are asked to be at the school by 7 p.m. Tuesday.

Adults are welcomed to sit in on the first rehearsal, which begins at 7:30 p.m., and meet conductor Paul Barber and members of the band.

The band, founded in 1986 by its conductor, performs a wide variety of programs.

Included under the overall title of Farmington Community Band are six separate groups.

**THE CONCERT BAND** is a 70-member group with the traditional instrumentation of winds and percussion. It performs classical and contemporary music, marches and show tunes. It presents several concerts annually in the community.

**The Jazz Band** is a 20-piece ensemble, which performs old favorites as well as current sounds at dances and jazz concerts.

**The Dixieland Band** is a six-member group with an old Dixie flavor. This band is a perennial part of Farmington Founders Festival Parade, but plays at other community functions as well.

**The Brass Ensemble** is comprised of from 6-10 musicians and is often featured during the Community Band's concerts.

**The Clarinet Choir** is composed of 20 musicians who play all of the instruments in the clarinet family.

The year's calendar includes a Cabaret Pops Concert, featuring "Fat Bob," tenor soloist on Oct. 11. "A Holiday Celebration" with the Michigan Ballet Theater is scheduled for Dec. 4.

This is followed by the local band's performance with "A Festival of Community Bands" at 12 Oaks Mall in February. Then the annual concert honoring senior citizens and the handicapped is set for April.

As yet unscheduled are appearances planned in Tel-12 Mall, Greenfield Village and Oakland Community College.

**THE BAND** is organized and administered by a 30-member board of directors representing many aspects of the community.

It is operated and financed by state and local grants, private donations, in-

kind services and in cooperation with Farmington Public Schools.

Students who attend Oakland Community College may obtain college credit for Farmington Community Band participation.

Bill Harrison is president of the band this season. His vice presidents are

Fern Barber and Dave Furman. Business manager is Linda Brubaker, and equipment manager is Dan Hughes.

Other officers are Marion Daniel and John Brubaker.

Any inquiries about band membership or band activities will be taken by calling Mrs. Barber, 661-4604.

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