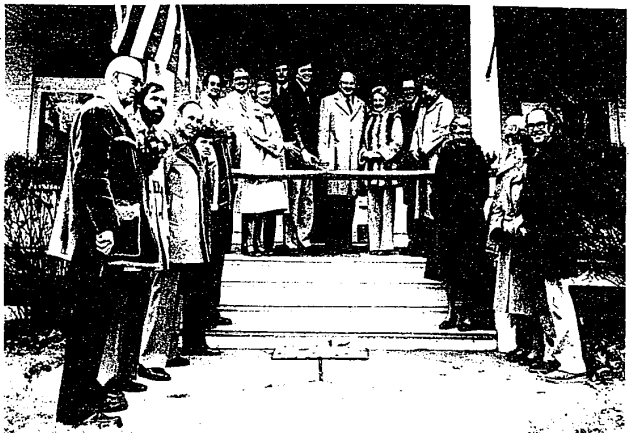


Farmington officially acquires Warner mansion



Cutting the ribbon stretched across the front of the Warner mansion and thereby accepting the gift of the home for the city is Farmington Mayor William Hartsock. He's joined by the children of Mrs.

Edessa Slocum and their spouses as well as the rest of the Farmington City Council and the Farmington Historical Commission. (Staff photo by Randy Bors))

The Warner Mansion is now officially owned by the city of Farmington. Members of the Farmington Historical Commission were on hand on Tuesday to accept keys to the estate from the owners, the Slocum family, descendants of Gov. Fred M. Warner. The distinguished estate on Grand River in the heart of the city's historical district was built in 1867. It was the residence of Warner, who served three terms as Michigan governor from 1804 through 1910. The commission will oversee operation of the mansion as a historical museum and cultural center. "Its presentation on Dec. 23 is especially appropriate," said Margaret Walker, chairwoman of the historical commission. "It will hereafterward forever be associated with the Christmas season, becoming a permanent symbol of the spirit of giving and remembrance. "The gracious ancestral home will be as cherished in the years to come as it

has been throughout the first 113 years of existence."

THE PRESENTATION of the deed and key was made by William Slocum, Slocum and his sister, Susan Klingbeil, children of the late Edessa Slocum (Warner's daughter), owned the property.

"From the beginning, the hope has been to make this gift of love and affection from the living descendants of the Farmington Warner family to the community where our ancestors contributed their public service," Slocum said.

"This gift represents a memorial to past generations and recognition by the present generation of the part Farmington played in their formative years and a tribute to our parents and grandparents as well." Mrs. Walker, on behalf of the historical commission, said she welcomes assistance from any interested residents in transforming the home to a museum. She can be reached at 476-6349. Materials and supplies will be needed. The Slocums are prepared to match funds raised in the community with a \$5,000 grant to be matched on a 2-to-1 basis.

Group boosts confidence of new entrepreneurs

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"People between 40 and 50 reflect on the corporate world. The ask: Is the company any better or worse because I'm here?"

"It's hard to walk away at that point. The worker is locked in with pension, profit sharing and just enough money to keep him there."

"The other group most likely to contemplate new business ventures is between 20 and 30. But they have no contacts, experience or credibility."

"They have energy and they're not locked in. So the two groups are about equal."

Clary, who makes it a point to read national magazines like Venture and Inc., believes there's a national trend brewing that emphasizes control of one's own destiny in business.

"It's just a coincidence the economy is bad right now," he says. "The trend

will continue. All 50 states are trying to attract start-up people. Now's a good time to make the move."

Resident joins U.S. Air Force

Timothy J. Koreen, 19, of Farmington Hills, has entered the U.S. Air Force's Delayed Enlistment Program (DEP). According to Staff Sgt. Pat Cannon, Air Force recruiter, Koreen will commence four years active duty on April 1, undergoing six weeks basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Tex. The Air Force has guaranteed that Koreen, a 1979 graduate of North Farmington High School, will then receive munitions maintenance specialist training, and upon completion be assigned to an Air Force duty station.

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