

# 'Series' Author Teaches Farmington Workshop

FARMINGTON Farmington's "Sounds of Language" reading series came alive when its author appeared at workshops for teachers Feb. 3 and 4.

Dr. Bill Martin conducted some unorthodox classes for assembled teachers, demonstrating creative techniques that help pupils to "explore their selfhood."

"Write your lesson plans after class," Dr. Martin suggested. "Then you can evaluate what did or did not happen."

Martin's other observations included:

"The greatest of all educa-

tional skills is the skill of self-correction. We teachers must learn to keep our mouths shut."

"CHILDREN TEACH children much faster than adults teach children."

"Create an environment in which kids have a chance to develop their selfhood."

"If kids are in reading groups, do not keep the groups permanent. If a child thinks of himself as a poor reader, he will fulfill his self-prophecy."

"We must find a new approach to the teaching of reading. Our system promises that a child will reach the next



TOGETHERNESS-Dr. Bill Martin claps a tempo as elementary pupils catch the beat for a choral reading from "Sounds of Mystery." The eminent author of up-to-the-minute textbooks came to Farmington for in-service workshops Feb. 3-4 and both teachers and students were the beneficiaries of his visit. (Ever photo)

# Harrison High Will Have Shorter Classes

FARMINGTON Flexibility for students will be one of the major aspects of the scheduling system to be used in the Farmington School District's new Harrison High.

Lawrence Schulman, Harrison principal, spoke to the Farmington Board of Education during its last meeting.

HARRISON, the district's third high school, will open in September. The school is under construction just south of 12 Mile Rd. between Orchard Lake and Middle Belt.

Schulman said the school plans to adopt an eight-period day. The system is now used in Farmington junior high schools. Students attend 45-minute class periods instead of 55-minute periods.

The district's two other high

schools use six longer periods per day.

As an example of the 45-minute system, science classes will be scheduled for seven class periods per week, Schulman said. Three periods on three days will be lectures and two lab sessions on two days will be 90 minutes long.

The Harrison principal said the extra two periods per week can be used by the student for a non-credit class such as typing or photography. A student independent study center will also be available for use during free periods.

ANOTHER RESULT of the eight-period day will be reduction in the number of study halls, the principal said. Schulman commented he originally planned to eliminate study halls.

The complete elimination of study halls, however, "left no escape valve for the management of students," Schulman said.

Another advantage of shorter periods is economics, the principal told the board. Expensive equipment in classes such as typing and shop can be used by more students per day.

# Town-Country Has Exhibit

FARMINGTON Town and Country Dodge Inc., 31015 Grand River, Farmington, has an exhibit of eight vehicles in the Detroit Camper and Travel Trailer Show on view through Feb. 22 in the Detroit Artillery Armory on Eight Mile.

The company's exhibit includes makes of Landau, Travco, Sightseer, Chinook and Superior.

Hours for the show are noon to 10 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays and 2 to 10 p.m. weekdays.

On Dean's List

FARMINGTON Two Farmington residents have been named to the dean's list at Kalamazoo College. They are Thomas Conlon, freshman, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Conlon of 32386 Tareyton and Mary Sells, freshman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Sells of 32308 12 Mile.

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# Farmington Socially Speaking

By KATHY ZISKA GR. 4-7261

Didn't finish telling you last week, about the unblinking Slumber Party mini hosted by Kathy Passfield.

Her parents, Nancy and Jack Passfield of Foxgrove, helped direct the sleepless hours. Nancy and Jack "start from scratch" pizza while Jack directed the game of drawing charades. It was after 5 a.m. when sleep finally got to Kathy Deir, Cathy and Sue Wavric, Sue Aston, Valerie Main, Carol Ackerman, Toni Feligan, Kim Blomquist, Julie Meyers and Katy DuBois.

Stanik, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Marberg, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Payton, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Belanger, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ventencenne, Mr. and Mrs. Gabe Ventencenne, Mr. and Mrs. Neal Devine and Mr. and Mrs. John Muller.

Aid: Mr. and Mrs. Jack McClintock, Mr. and Mrs. George Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Curme, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Kenney, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Striebel, Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Owen, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Norreck and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sugrue, and many more.

get passed on to the woman who is deserving of the compliment. So, for all the women who wanted to say it but didn't, I'm passing it on that Mrs. Frank (Dianne) Sugrue, looked especially elegant in her choice of pant dress costume for the evening -- "like she just stepped off the cover of Harper's Bazaar."

For all of the feminine culture, Valentine's Day is approaching. Look, but don't eat too much of the heavenly chocolates your beau gave you. The trend this coming season is for the long, lean look.

THE ST. FABIAN Catholic parish dinner dance held in the Armenian Cultural Center recently was a fun gathering with approximately 400 people attending.

Chairman and co-chairmen, John Lynch, Don MacKercher and Dan O'Donohue are to be congratulated for the smooth running evening of fun and food and the capacity turnout.

Some of the "in" people on the scene were: Mr. and Mrs. Fran Dielenheim, Mr. and Mrs. J. Michael Bowden, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Mayskens, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Haight, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Aston, Mr. and Mrs. William Siekles, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Gastor, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Oswald, Mr. and Mrs. James MacKay and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hebel.

Also: Mr. and Mrs. Henry McCardie, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Good, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Koss, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hage, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Burk, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Gibney, Mr. and Mrs. James Wyatt, Mr. and Mrs. Adam

There were, I understand many pant dresses on the scene at the dinner dance. It's usually an extreme compliment when a woman compliments another woman on her wardrobe. Usually, if you know women, it doesn't

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# Ellmann Settles Flint Walkout

FARMINGTON William Ellmann of 2800 Weymouth, Farmington, played a leading role in settling the recent walkout of assistant prosecutors in Genesee County.

Ellmann, former president of the State Bar of Michigan with law offices in Detroit, was named chief fact-finder to help settle the dispute.

Shortly after Ellmann's appointment by the Genesee County Governmental Bar Association, the 15 assistant prosecutors returned to work after a two-week walkout.

Ellmann ENTERED the controversy after both the prosecutors and board of supervisors agreed to accept his recommendations as binding. The prosecutors were asking for a \$17,000 maximum salary and both parties agreed to the \$16,810 proposed by Ellmann.

Ellmann served as a special assistant to Attorney General Frank Kelley in 1964, sitting on a commission studying the use of state troops in emergencies. He is a partner in the law firm of Ellmann & Ellmann, formed in 1962.

He is married and has three children.

Ellmann's senior at Farmington High School, has been named a winner in the National Poetry Press Contest. His winning work will be published in a national poetry anthology.

Eckel A Winner

Jim Eckel, a senior at Farmington High School, has been named a winner in the National Poetry Press Contest. His winning work will be published in a national poetry anthology.

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