

## recreation news

Each week, the Farmington Hills Parks and Recreation Department will present a synopsis of its activities in this space. For further information, call 474-6115.

**PEPSI HOT SHOT COMPETITION** — Level One of competition begins July 6, 7 and 8 at the local playground sites. Youngsters, ages 9-18, can participate. Each participant will be allotted one minute to dribble, shoot and score from designated "hot spots" on the court. Register now at your convenient playground site.

**WAVE POOL TRIP** — Join us on Tuesday, July 7, for a trip to Oakland County Parks and Recreation famous wave pool. Pre-registration for this trip will take place at the Forest, Woodlake, Woodcreek and Middlebelt playground sites. The cost will be \$3 which includes transportation. Space is limited.

**BASIC SKIN & SCUBA** — Classes begin at OOC, Orchard Ridge Campus, this week. Activity includes pool and classroom instruction. Students must provide their own mask, fins and snorkel. Tanks, regulators and related diving equipment will be available. Class fee:

\$56 (plus equipment rental).

**QUATICO WILDERNESS TRIP** — Join us for an exciting eight-day canoeing and fishing excursion through Quatico, Ontario, Wilderness Park. Our trip will be led by Dennis McKeon, an internationally recognized fishing guide, in cooperation with OOC, Orchard Ridge Campus. Participants will have opportunities to learn and practice basic camping, canoeing, backpacking, portaging and fishing skills in a true wilderness setting. The fee includes complete outfitting for the trip. Participants must provide transportation to and from Quatico, plus fishing gear. The cost is \$350.

**C.P.R.** — CPR is a vital life-saving method of mouth-to-mouth resuscitation and external heart massage that forces the heart to pump blood. Presented by the American Red Cross, this is a three-day comprehensive class. Upon successful completion of the course, class members will receive a CPR certification card. You must pre-register for this course. Classes begin Wednesday, July 8, and run from 7-10 p.m. at the Shawansee Recreation Center. A \$1 material fee is payable at the time of registration.

# Oakland settlement big

An Oakland County Circuit Court jury recently awarded \$1 million to a Shelby Township man who sued a Rochester-area medical doctor for malpractice.

It was one of the largest such jury awards ever in Oakland County.

Leo J. Richard, 51, represented by Rochester attorney Keith Kennedy, won the damages on June 26 in his suit against Dr. Ron Shin, an internist and a member of the Crittenton Hospital staff.

The suit stemmed from the death of Richard's wife, Barbara, at age 43, on Aug. 24, 1974, in the Avon Township hospital's intensive care unit.

According to his attorney, William Whitfield of Bloomfield Hills, Shin diagnosed the cause of death as a "probable ruptured cerebral aneurysm."

The suit charged Shin with negligence in not seeing Mrs. Richard nor summoning a neurosurgeon for consultation until some 30 minutes before her death at about 6:45 a.m., nearly 10 hours after she entered the hospital.

Mrs. Richard had been under Shin's care for about 11 months before her death, according to the suit and which Whitfield confirmed.

ON SHIN'S advice, Mrs. Richard was admitted to Crittenton's emergency

room at about 8:30 p.m. on Aug. 23, 1974, after developing a severe headache, according to the suit.

About 30 minutes later, after an emergency room physician made a provisional diagnosis of a "possible ruptured cerebral aneurysm," Mrs. Richard was moved to the intensive care unit, the suit states.

While under intensive care, the suit continues, Mrs. Richard was attended to only by nursing personnel, who were in telephone communication with Shin. According to Whitfield, "It was Dr. Shin's position that the steps he took (relative to Mrs. Richard's treatment on Aug. 23-24, 1974) were exactly what should have been done."

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