



**FUN FOR BROWNIES** — It's the Girl Scouts' 58th birthday, and Westland Brownies Marie Knoerl (left), and Valerie Collinson think there's no better way to celebrate than by finding some homemade dolls.



**PRETEND CAMPING** — Vickie Motsch, Cadette from Westland, demonstrates camping equipment in one of the displays.



**SERVICE PROJECT** — Informing the public about the dangers of pollution is a major aim of the Girl Scouts in this district this year. Diane (left) and Debbie Curley of Livonia note the display and show one of the pamphlets the Girl Scouts will be distributing.

## YWCA Announces Spring Programs

A selection of over 124 programs in 43 different subjects will be offered to men, women and youth during the spring term at Northwest Branch YWCA, 23940 Grand River.

Daytime program, geared for homemakers, centers around the "Ladies' Day Out" program which is offered on an all-day or half-day basis, with a choice of a morning and afternoon class in a variety of skills and interests. Nursery service is available for preschoolers on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

SUBJECTS offered in the Ladies' Day Out package include furcraft, knitting, sewing, bridge, charm, golf, decoupage, ballet, color-silk screen, family living, flower arranging, physical fitness, ceramics, yoga, psychology, painting and ecology.

Evening programs are geared for men and women and such subjects as painting, ceramics, golf, yoga and bridge are also available during the evening hours. Other specialties in the night program include astrology, guitar, self-defense for women, vacation special, driver training, ballroom dance, dog obedience, fencing and powderpuff mechanics.

Youth and teen program is held on Saturdays and after

school and covers a wide variety of activities for boys and girls of all age groups.

MEMBERSHIP in the YWCA is \$15 a year for families or \$5 for individual adults

and \$2.50 for youth under 17. There is a small class fee for each activity.

A complete schedule of classes and times may be acquired by calling Northwest Branch YWCA at 537-4500.

## LWV Topic School Tax

Taxation and education will be the topics for unit meetings of the Provisional League of Women Voters for Northville-Plymouth next week.

The Northville meetings will be held at 7:45 p.m. Monday, March 16, in the home of Mrs. Harry Olde, 18189 Jamestown Circle, and at 1 p.m. Tuesday,

March 17, in the home of Mrs. James Hayward, 18420 Donegal.

Hosting the Plymouth meetings will be Mrs. Marvin Koenig, 9324 Morrison, at 7:45 p.m. Wednesday, March 18, and Mrs. Bernard Sellman, 1651 Hartstough, at 1 p.m. Thursday, March 19.

## The Observer

# Women

## Politics, Fashion [m.m. memos] Will Headline 2 Town Halls

Politics and fashion will come into the spotlight in the two Town Hall lectures set this week.

George Cabot Lodge, son of Henry Cabot Lodge and specialist in international activities on the Harvard University faculty, will conclude the 1969-70 Livonia Town Hall series with a lecture in the Terrace Theater, 30400 Plymouth, Livonia, at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 18.

Count Ferdinando Sarmi, Italian designer, will be the third of four speakers in the Farmington Town Hall Series. He will speak at 11 a.m. Thursday, March 19, in the Northland Theater, Southfield.

Count Sarmi replaces designer John Moore, originally announced as speaker.

CELEBRITY luncheons will follow both lectures. The Livonia group will gather in the Mayflower Meeting House in Plymouth and the Farmington one in Glen Oaks Country Club, 13 Mile east of Orchard Lake Road.

The Livonia Town Hall will mark Guest Day, when members may bring guests for \$2 to hear Lodge talk on current revolutions and crises in Central and South America.

He is a former political reporter and served in the U.S. Department of Labor under President Eisenhower and as U.S. delegate to the International Labor Organization.

Lodge will be introduced by Lee Landes, of Livonia, Ford Motor Co. executive who will represent the Harvard Alumni Association.

COUNT SARMI, an Italian nobleman and an attorney before World War II, was one of thousands of Allied sympathizers who sought refuge in the Vatican during that conflict and at that time turned to designing.

He designed for seven years for Elizabeth Arden before opening his own Seventh Avenue house in New York. Introducing him will be Harvey Goldberg, of Harvi's Suburban Casuals.

Livonia celebrity luncheon reservations may be made by sending checks for \$3.75 to Box 1143, Livonia, by Friday, March 13.

Luncheon tickets for the Farmington series may be reserved by calling Irene MacKinnon, 474-5522, or Grace Richardson, 474-4299.



COUNT FERDINANDO SARMI



GEORGE CABOT LODGE

These are cluttered and crumbly and absolutely delicious days in our house.

The reason, of course, is the annual influx of Girl Scout cookies. They bring in a season that's great for the taste buds and disastrous for the waistline and the sense of order.

Cookie time has been with us for quite a while now, and the number of boxes lugged into the house seems to increase every year.

This probably is because the family now includes three saleswomen. Next year it will be four and maybe I'll move out.

I've never dared to be one of those brave mothers called cookie chairmen who get a whole troop's supply. I've seen them, on distribution day, with boxes of cookies filling every nook of the house until the girls collect them.

But we always seem to have one ambitious type who tries to outsell the rest of her troop, and this year was no exception. Our sales leader has the den filled with boxes, in spite of a weekend spent pushing a wheelbarrow around the neighborhood to deliver orders.

When all the local deliveries have been made, we'll do some frenzied money-counting, and then head out to deliver orders to relatives.

Then we'll gather up cartons, salvage a few boxes of cookies for the freezer and sweep up crumbs and sweep up crumbs and sweep up crumbs.

And look forward to next year's cookie season.

-- Margaret Miller

## For Eire

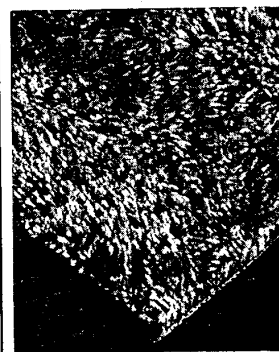
A week of festivities highlighted by a St. Patrick's Day buffet dinner dance at 7 p.m. Saturday, March 14, in the Knights of Columbus Hall, 39550 Schokcraft, Livonia, is planned by the Irish Society of Livonia.

There will be both Irish and American dancing as well as prizes and refreshments. Reservations may be made by calling Dan Doyle, 427-1987, or Rose Francis, 464-1064.

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