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## State competition ahead

# Farmington's choir tunes up

Paul Polus, a student at Farmington High School, has a voice in one of the school's most successful activities — the men's choir.

"I just like singing," said Polus, a member of the 30-man choir which earned top honors in the recent district competition. "It's a lot of fun — and very little homework."

And now Farmington's choir, directed by Margaret Koltz, is sharpening its skills for the state competition May 6-7 at Jackson Community College.

FARMINGTON, ONE OF about 30 high schools to qualify for the state competition, is joining an elite group. All choirs at state earned scores of 1 (on a scale of 10 to 1) in their districts.

"This group is very good," said Koltz, a vocal music teacher at Farmington High and Power Junior High, of her Farmington choir. Koltz holds a two-hour rehearsal every Wednesday

night. Usually everyone shows up.

"I'm very proud of the fact that I have 30 men who want to rehearse once a week," she said. "It's hard to get all those guys together at one time with all the activities there are now."

AT STATE, Farmington will be singing "Away for Rio," a sea chantey arranged by Frank B. Cookson; "The Pasture," a 20th-century composition by Randall Thomas; and "A-Rovin'," a folksong arranged by Normal Luboff.

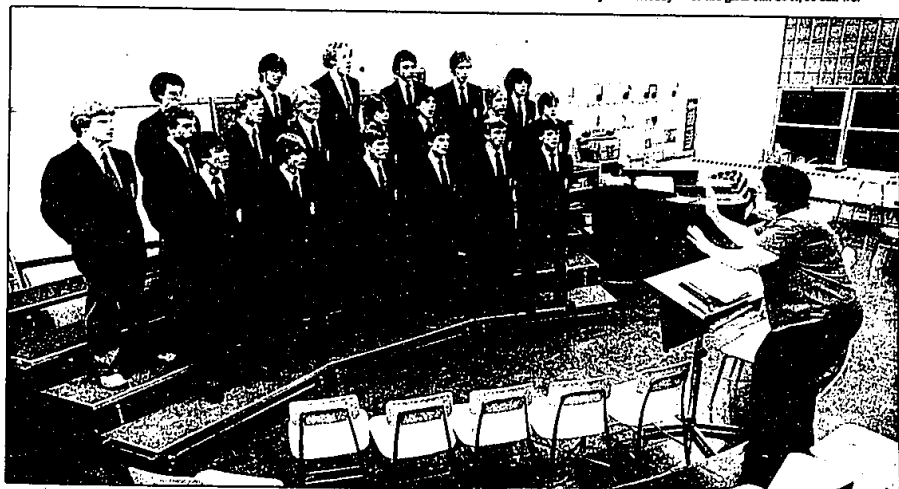
The state competition will be judged by college music professors from throughout the midwest.

Farmington's men have an added incentive to do well. Two years ago, a Koltz-led girls' choir gave Farmington a perfect "1" at state.

"There's a lot of pressure on the guys right now," Koltz said. "They're saying, 'If the girls can do it, so can we.'"



Larry Wik, a member of Farmington High School's choir, harmonizes around a piano during a recent rehearsal.



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Director Margaret Koltz hopes her Farmington choir will earn a perfect "1" rating at the state competition.

## INSIDE ANGLES

**DON'T FORGET** — male citizens or aliens residing in the U.S. who were born in 1960 or later must register with Selective Service within 30 days of their 18th birthday. Registration is a process which requires the registrant to supply his name, address, date of birth, Social Security number and telephone number. He should bring identification when registering. The registration form may be completed at any U.S. Post Office, station or branch.

**THE CONGREGATION** of Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church expects that the roof will be on their new church before the week is out. The church, under construction, is on Middlebelt Road, north of 10 Mile Road. Meanwhile, the Rev. Stephen Anthony says "with luck, we'll be in the new church to celebrate our feast days in September."

**EVERYBODY'S A WINNER** in America's Love Run to benefit the Muscular Dystrophy Association. Designed to accommodate individual running habits, the MDA asks runners to set a goal for themselves and get sponsors to pledge a certain sum for every mile run during the month of May. Money raised by America's Love Run will be used to help the Muscular Dystrophy Association continue their worldwide research efforts towards the cure for the muscle disease. This money will also help MDA continue to provide a program of free patient and community services. For your free runners instruction kit, write to: Muscular Dystrophy Association, 10440 W. Nine Mile, Oak Park 48237 or call 399-8800.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to David Weigel, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Weigel of Farmington and a 1981 graduate of Farmington High School, for making the dean's list at Evangel College, Evangel College in Springfield, Mo., is a four-year Assemblies of God College of arts and sciences.

**AT CEREMONIES** to be held Wednesday, Wayne State University will honor 78 faculty and staff members for their 25 or more years of service to the university. Farmington residents to be honored are: Betty Denison, Mary J. Garcia and Tche Yang Tchen.

**THE FARMINGTON POST OFFICE** is celebrating spring with a stamp collectors' promotion set to run from now through May 14. "The purpose of the program is to call attention to the educational benefits as well as to the overall fun of stamp collecting," Kenneth B. Harris said. "It's the most popular hobby in the world." In keeping with the theme of the celebration, "Get Carried Away With Philately," the recently issued 35-cent com-

memoratives that feature colorful hot air balloons are available at the main post office and all branches and stations. Another item on sale is the guide to stamp collecting, "The Postal Service Guide to U.S. Stamps." This paperback contains background information on many postage stamps dating back to the 1800s. It also has listings, current values and illustrations of most of the stamps.

**SET SUNDAY, MAY 15** aside for the Outer Drive 10,000-meter fitness and one-mile fun runs. Mount Carmel Mercy Hospital and Sinai Hospital of Detroit are sponsoring the runs as a grand finale to Hospital Week. Proceeds will go to the Northwest Ministerial Alliance hunger program. Come rain or shine, the runs will be on. The fun run beginning at 8:15 a.m. and the 10,000-meter race at 8:45 a.m. The start and finish lines for both races will be at Mount Carmel Mercy Hospital, 8071 West Outer Drive, Detroit. There is a \$7 fee for the 10,000-meter race, and a \$5 fee for the fun run. All entrants receive T-shirts. A trophy will be given to the first man and woman to finish the 10,000-meter run, and the first 25 men and women who finish that race will be given medals. All who finish the fun run will receive ribbons. For more information and an entry blank, call Mount Carmel Mercy Hospital, 927-7077.

**KUDOS** to James Anderson, Brenda Burt and Keith Whetter of Farmington Hills who have been named to the dean's list at Northwood Institute for the winter term. To achieve dean's list recognition, students must earn a 3.0 grade-point on a 4.0 scale.

**CRIME PREVENTION:** The Farmington Hills Police Department Crime Prevention Unit provides members of the community with commercial and residential security surveys free of charge. The security survey is a crime prevention tool used to inform business persons and homeowners of areas in their businesses or homes that may be susceptible to criminal victimization, together with steps that can be taken to minimize that potential. The Crime Prevention Unit also provides the community with other programs, such as: Neighborhood Watch, Business Watch, Condominium Watch, Apartment Watch, Child Abuse/Neglect Awareness, self-protection seminars, burglary prevention, shoplifting programs, juvenile justice and senior citizens programs. To obtain further information contact, the Farmington Hills Crime Prevention Unit, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at 474-6181, Ext. 347 or 348.

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