

club circuit

FARMINGTON HILLS SENIOR
ADULT CENTER's craft classes resume for the fall at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 15. Craft instructor Yvonne Slinger will have a display of crafts that will be available for the members. She also will lead a session on creating pop-art dolls decorated with silk flowers.

Oil painting classes in the center begin at 1:15 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 21, for the fall session. Oil painters are asked to bring their own brushes and canvases. Teachers are all professional artists who are members of Farmington Artists Club.

Attorney Dale Winkle's next visit to the center is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 15. He will be available for private consultations and will answer any questions older persons have on legal matters, given without charge.

Copies of the center's full agenda for September can be picked up in the center, in the Mercy Center complex on 11 Mile, through Gate 4 east of Middlebelt.

A NEW SUPPORT GROUP for women who are separated, divorced, or contemplating divorce meets at 7 p.m. tonight for an orientation meeting in Room B470, Liberal Arts Building, Schoolcraft College campus, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia.
Attendance is free. No registration is required. The group is sponsored by the college's Women's Resource Center.

EPILEPSY SUPPORT PROGRAM, a self-help group, meets at 7:30 p.m. tonight in All Saints Lutheran Church, 8850 Newburgh.
Meetings are open to everyone.

HILL AND DALE GARDEN CLUB meets at 8 p.m. tonight in Farmington Hills Community Library to participate in a workshop as members prepare for their annual Christmas Walk and Boutique, planned for Dec. 11.
The workshop will be conducted by Elaine Gundersen, Cathie Johnston, Ann McMillan, Janet Patreil, and Greichen Fugley.

BETHANY, a group for separated and divorced Christians, meet at 8 p.m. tomorrow in Mercy Center, on 11 Mile, through Gate 4 east of Middlebelt.
Program for the evening will be led by the Rev. David Blake. His topic is "Single Reflections."

SPINNERS, a communitywide fellowship group for singles of all ages, meet at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 10, in First Presbyterian Church of Northville, 200 E. Main.

Program for the evening is "Reflections on the Single Life," led by the Rev. David Blake, pastor of Fellowship Lutheran Church in Sterling Heights. He uses guitar music and a related sense of humor to reflect on what it is like to be single again. He has been divorced for three years and lives with his two teen-age daughters.
Admission of \$2.50 asked at the door.

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS, Brohead-Farmington Auxiliary to Post 2269, members will be in New Baltimore, Mich., next week attending a district meeting. Regina Telford, a Farmington resident, will be the presiding officer.

Next item on the agenda is Sept. 18, when members will host a school of instruction in their post home for all VFW auxiliary members in Oakland County. State president Ruth Anderson and state senior vice president Silvia Richardson will be the instructors.

WOMEN'S AGLOW FELLOWSHIP, Farmington Chapter, meet at 8:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 12, for dinner and a program in Sweden House, Orchard Lake Road and Grand River. Speaker for the evening is the Rev. Duane Stenzel, a Franciscan priest.

DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION, Three Flags Chapter, meets for a noon luncheon Monday, Sept. 12, in the home of Mrs. John Kar-

bowals and Mrs. Frederick Goudie of Rochester.

The program will be given by Mrs. Nancy Foster of Farmington Hills, who will talk about the Treaty of Paris negotiations and the men who signed the treaty in September 1783.

The treaty was the result of negotiations between the Americans and the British that would end the American Revolutionary War and establish that the 13 states were to be acknowledged by the British "to be free, sovereign and independent states."

This year, the National Society DAR celebrated the 200th anniversary of the signing of the treaty by sending a delegation to Paris to participate in the ceremonies honoring the occasion.

All local DAR chapters are planning programs to call attention to the anniversary.

Persons wishing to attend the event can call Barbara Nancarrow, 585-3190.

FARMINGTON ARTISTS CLUB hosts printmaker Stanley Rosenthal as its first speaker of the 1983-84 season at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 14, in Farmington Hills Community Library. Rosenthal's program will be preceded by a brief business meeting and coffee. Rosenthal heads Wayne State University's printmaking department.

SIGMA KAPPA SORORITY, South Oakland Alumnae Chapter, meets at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 14, in Kingswood School, Bloomfield Hills, for a salad supper.

Membership inquiries are taken by Nancy Foster, 651-5098.

B'NAI BRITH WOMEN, Morganthau Chapter, meet at noon Wednesday, Sept. 14, for a luncheon-meeting in Knob-In-The-Woods clubhouse, Southfield. There is a charge for members and guests.

Reservations are taken by Secma Shaw, 557-2472.
Members will lunch and tour the Eleanor and Edsel Ford house Wednesday, Sept. 28, leaving by bus at 9:30 a.m. from Southfield Civic Center. Tour reservations are taken by Gloria Michaelson, 541-1515.

WOMEN'S AMERICAN ORT (Organization for Rehabilitation through Training), Sunnyside Woods Group, open the season with a membership drive.

Host for the first meeting of the season is Roz and Sherm, the Bloomfield Plaza shop, which will stage an alternative fashion show beginning at 6:45 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 14. The show will introduce the designs of Lenora Z, a New York designer whose collection was brought to the Detroit area exclusively for Roz and Sherm.

Current and prospective members are invited.

Fall term set at Mercy

Mercy Conference Center's first fall swimming and fitness programs run from Thursday, Sept. 15, to Wednesday, Nov. 2; the second session runs from Thursday, Nov. 3, to Thursday, Dec. 22, in the center at 28600 11 Mile Road.

Both sessions offer open swim, lap swim, swim classes, water exercises and synchronized swimming in the center's pool.

In the gym, classes are given in weight training, hatha yoga, karate, or fitness. One session is called "Trim-O-Swim." There is one class listed for moms and their tots, and Fridays are reserved for Family Fitness Night.

Two new programs are on the fall schedule. One is called "How to Mas-

sage." The other is "As Parents Grow Older," a group experience to help deal with concerns and problems as parents age.

An "Overnight Special" is planned for 5-10-year-olds Friday, Oct. 14, and a Halloween Party for 3-9-year-olds Wednesday, Oct. 20.

"Fun, Fitness, Finance," a mini vacation for women, is set for Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 12-13, and Santa's Sitter Service will be available for youngsters Dec. 3, 7 and 17.

Christmas Camp for 3-9-year-olds will run Tuesday through Thursday, Dec. 27-29, this year.

Inquiries are taken by calling the center, 476-8010.

How to help teens

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fully and be sure to present your case in a concerned, cooperative manner. And while you're working out the problem, be scrupulously careful about the way you discuss the teacher in front of the child. All he needs is one hint from you that you regard his teacher as ineffective or inept, and his attempts to cooperate with that teacher usually will quickly evaporate.

LIMIT OUTSIDE JOB HOURS
Most teen-agers today are terribly eager to get a job. The extra dollars open a wonderful world of freedom and fun to the adolescent eager to join the adult world, and the unique form of education that only a job can provide is undeniably profitable in a different sense.

Too often, however, the teen becomes overly enthralled with his new spending power, and soon is using the money to enrich a spring wardrobe or to bankroll a trip to Florida can become far more important than succeeding in school. It's your job to see that this doesn't happen.

Keep tight control on the number of hours your teen is allowed to work each week, and make sure that those hours don't include too many late-night shifts. Make keeping the job contingent on keeping up grades.

BE ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT EDUCATION

Help your child to see the sparkle of learning. Encourage him to take every opportunity to attend field trips, and use television shows to reinforce his classes.

Moan and groan with him at exam time, but try to help him realize that

strenuous effort has its own rewards. Every once in a while, pick up something he's reading for history or English or challenge him to teach you to solve a quadratic equation.

Your interest shows that you consider what he's doing to be valuable, and that you regard his success and happiness in school to be of paramount importance in your family life.

Don't forget that one of the most important functions of school has nothing to do with reading, writing and arithmetic. School provides children of all ages, and particularly the adolescent, with countless opportunities to practice social skills.

Help your child to see that he might just be learning something about life in his attempts to handle the compulsive chatter sitting next to him, or in his efforts to deal with a perpetually cranky teacher.

Encourage him to attend football games, concerts, school plays, but realize that most high school students don't date regularly, and that for every prom queen, there are 500 quiet young girls waiting to bloom.

Be enthusiastic about the social side of school, but don't push, and don't expect too much.

IF IT APPEARS to you that "Common Sense" should really have been the title of this article, you're absolutely right. Helping a youngster through his last years of compulsory schooling needn't be difficult or overwhelming. A good knowledge of the school's offerings and requirements, regular communication with the school, and a commitment to understand and work with your teen all can combine to make his high school years pleasurable and rewarding for everyone.

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