

## Hills firm fills positions

The R.A. DeMatia Co., a general contracting firm with headquarters on Folsom Road in Farmington Hills, has announced three appointments to company positions.

John J. Griffin, CPA, of Livonia, has joined the company as controller. He will have responsibility for the company's financial and administrative management. Prior to joining DeMatia, Griffin was controller for John Carlo, Inc., and audit senior account with Touche, Ross & Company, an accounting firm.

Gary D. Roberts of West Bloomfield has been named supervisor of DeMatia and Associates, the architectural and engineering subsidiary of the R.A. DeMatia Company. Roberts will have responsibility for the supervision of the architecture and engineering of projects throughout the United States. He joined the company in 1982.

Richard J. Hartigan of Hartland has been named vice president of construction services for DeMatia. He will control and manage all facets of construction services for work throughout the United States. Prior to joining DeMatia in 1981, Hartigan was a project manager for Lerner-Linden, Inc.



Gary Roberts John Griffin Richard Hartigan

## TV courses are offered

Four telecourses will be offered for credit beginning in September by Madonna College, Livonia.

For information or registration for any of the telecourses, contact the Office of Continuing Education at Madonna College, 36600 Schoolcraft, Livonia, phone 591-5188. Madonna is located at the intersection of I-96 and Levan Road in Livonia.

"The Business of Management," introduces the participant to the communications process, decision making, influences, power, authority and their relationship to the managing process.

"QUALITY OF LIFE," an introductory humanities course, focuses on the urban environment especially in metropolitan Detroit.

"Heritage: Civilization and the Jews," traces the history of the Jewish people and is narrated by Abba Eban. Special emphasis is placed on the contributions of Jewish culture to Western Civilization.

"Introduction to Computers: The New Literacy," provides a comprehensive overview of the computer, what it is, what it can and cannot do, how it operates, and how it may be used to solve problems. Access to the Madonna College computer laboratory for practice will be allowed.

Each course will have a specified number of on-campus meetings scheduled with the coordinating faculty.

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## Park improvements planned

By Jean Adamczak  
staff writer

Farmington officials are one step closer to upgrading the city parks at total cost of \$105,000.

City officials recently received approval from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources on its pre-application for Land and Water Conservation Fund Assistance which will pay for 50 percent of the improvements.

The city's share of the cost will be \$52,500 which has already been provided for in this year's budget, said city manager Robert Deadman at a council meeting Monday night.

The council will seek opinions from the public at a hearing set for 8 p.m.

Monday, Aug. 20 in the council chamber.

Park improvements include installing a "jog-walk" track with exercise stations for senior and disabled citizens in Shawasee Park at a cost of \$20,000; parking lot paving at \$35,000; baseball field redevelopment at \$25,000 and picnic shelter construction at a cost of \$25,000, according to Deadman.

"We are ready to begin the project as soon as final approval can be obtained from the federal government," said Deadman in his report to the council. Construction probably won't begin until next year, he added.

THE DECISION to upgrade the lighted ball fields at Shawasee Park has been delayed until it can be determined whether the city of Farmington Hills plans to construct lighted fields at Harrison High School.

## 23 from area on WSU list

A total of 1,100 students - including 23 from the Farmington area - have been named to the liberal arts dean's list for outstanding achievement at Wayne State University in Detroit for the winter term.

To be on the dean's list, a student must have a grade point average of 3.6 (A minus) or higher if he or she is a full-time student taking 12 credits or more, or a grade point average of 4.0 (A) if he or she is a part-time student taking six to 11 credits.

Following are the Farmington-area honorees:

From Farmington - Mary L. Hoard, John Mark Brubaker, Carol Ann Leonard.

From Farmington Hills - Maria Rose Abbo, Gabi Mauris Benet, Linda Christine Berdich, Laurie Labine Busch, Donna Marie Denno, Susan Pearl Ekker, Jo Carmen Fortson, Christine H.D. Gebhard, Barbara L. Hess, Daniel Edward Hughes, Solomon Klum, Margaret Beth Muller, Mary Ann Civitano Oliveri, Payabeth Alta Rosen, Lisa A. Scaglione, Anna T. Bunta Sosto, Ivanna Maria Vetrano, Ronald Lee Wech, Laura Maria Wontrobek and Debbie Jean Yee.

Farmington Hills has budgeted funds for the construction of the two ball fields, but a final decision as to their construction may be delayed until other elements of their capital improvement program have been approved for construction, according to Deadman.

Farmington spends about \$55,000 a year to maintain its Shawasee and Drake parks. It also pays about \$33,000 to Farmington Hills for recreation programs.

Farmington's park systems also include two small sections of property at Oakland and Grand River with benches, old-fashioned street lights and a war memorial.

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By Ron Rice, Ph.D.

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First of all, it pays to remember that even if you'd rather not look anxious, a certain amount of nervousness is expected. Interviews are usually prepared to discount it.

Approach the interview with the attitude that you have the opportunity to judge the "fit" between your skills and interests and the employer's needs. It's as much YOUR interview of a potential employer as theirs of you. It is your chance to learn about the organization. Not only does this attitude serve to take you off the spot, but it may help you to impress the interviewer as someone with your own requirements and aspirations.

Don't be afraid to emphasize your strengths. As your interviewer describes the job and the organization, speak up about how your skills and past experience would apply. Even if you're harboring some doubts internally, try to appear reasonably confident.

Be conservative in your dress, speech and manner. Grooming really counts. An individual who "approaches an interview with excessive nervousness looks less than interested in the job."

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