

Children act fast and so do poisons

Since 1972 there has been a 75-percent reduction in childhood poisonings due to household chemical products. However, in 1984, an estimated 130,000 children under the age of 5 still have been victims of accidental ingestion.

The basic theme of National Poison Prevention week, "Children Act Fast... So Do Poisons," means that household chemicals or drugs are being used. Many accidents happen when adults are using a product but are distracted by the telephone or doorbell for a few moments. Children act fast, and adults must make sure that household

chemicals and medications are kept away from children at all times.

Medicines, household substances, insect sprays, kerosene, lighter fluid, some furniture polish, turpentine, paints, solvents, and products containing lye and acids are most frequently the cause of accidental poisoning among children.

During this week the Michigan Pharmacists Association reminds the public to follow these basic household safety tips:

- Keep all household products and medicines out of the reach of young-

sters and preferably, locked up when not in use.

- When these products are in use, never let them out of your sight — even if you must take them along when answering the telephone or doorbell.
- Store all medicines separately from household products.
- Leave original labels on all products, and read the label before using.
- Keep items in their original containers.
- Always leave the light on when giving or taking medicines.
- Avoid taking medicines in front of

children since youngsters tend to imitate grown-ups.

- Refer to medicine as "medicine" — not "candy."
- Clean out the medicine cabinet periodically, and safely dispose of unused medicines when the illness for which they were prescribed is over.
- Finally, use safety packaging properly — by closing the container securely after use.

For brochures and pamphlets on poison prevention, write to: Michigan Pharmacists Association, 818 N. Washington Ave., Lansing 48906 or telephone (517) 484-1465.

Diabetics invited to classes

A series of six diabetes classes will begin at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 11 in Oakland County Health Division South office, 27735 Greenfield, Southfield.

The classes are for adult diabetics and their family members. They are taught by a public health nurse and a registered dietitian. Topics that will be

discussed include the nature of the disease, dietary management, medications and suggestions for coping with everyday problems.

There are no fees charged for these classes. However, participants are asked to register in advance as enrollment is limited, by calling 858-1280.

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club circuit

MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS WITH LEARNING DISABILITIES, Farmington Chapter, meets at 7:30 p.m. today in Room 103-B, O.E. Dunkle Middle School, 12 Mile Road, between Farmington and Orchard Lake roads.

The program is called "Sink or Swim: Surviving College With Your Learning Disabled Child," given by Dingley Sharp and Ruth Schade. The program will also include information on alternate types of education available to the learning disabled high school graduate.

The meeting is open to all interested persons without charge.

BETHANY TOGETHER, an organization for the divorced and separated, sponsors a dance from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday in Acorn VFW Hall, Fourth and Troy in Royal Oak. Music will be furnished by "Naturally Light."

Admission is \$6 at the door which includes beer, set-ups and snacks.

MOONDUSTERS meet at 9 p.m. Saturday for a dance party in Livonia Activities Center, corner Farmington Road and Five Mile. The event is open to all singles over 40 from all surrounding communities.

Admission of \$3.50 at the door includes dancing to a live band and refreshments.

FARMINGTON GARDEN CLUB meets at noon Monday, April 1 in Farmington Community Center on Farmington Road north of 10 Mile Road.

Program for the day is led by Margaret Converse, a collector and knowledgeable protector of Michigan wild ferns and plants that grow with them. She will instruct members and guests on how to identify and appreciate these species.

Guests are welcome, but are requested to call ahead of the meeting to membership chairman, Mrs. Jack Mac-

Donald, at 866-5188.

Gerrit Tobin is hostess for the day, assisted by Agnes Bradley, Evelyn Kennedy, Pat Dorton, Dorothy Cole and Bertie Coleman.

B'NAI B'RITH WOMEN, Henry Morgenthau Chapter, will install Hattie Schwartz as president during their 90th annual installation dinner set for 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 2, in Southfield Charlie's, 19701 12 Mile Road.

Schwartz's vice presidents are Elaine Franks, Dorothy Kass, Helen Braverman, Lorraine Popper and Mary Bliz.

Other incoming officers are Lil Solomon, Evelyn Gorosh, Betty Barry, Marilyn Cohen and Jacqueline Posner.

FARMINGTON FAMILIES IN ACTION meet at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, April 3, in Farmington Community Center, 24705 Farmington Road.

All meetings of the club are open to all interested persons in the community without charge.

The group is composed of persons interested in creating an atmosphere for young people in the community where the use of alcohol and drugs is not the norm.

INDOOR GARDENING SOCIETY OF AMERICA meets at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 3, in Farmington Hills Branch Library, 32737 12 Mile Road. Speaker for the evening is African violet grower Nancy Stormont. She will talk on the culture, propagation and care of African violets.

Violets and supplies for their care will be available for sale at the meeting.

All club news and announcements for this column are to be addressed to: Club Circuit, Farmington Observer, 33203 Grand River, Farmington 48024. The information must arrive before noon on the Monday before Thursday publication.

The search is on for 1986 Miss Teen-age America

Contenders for the 1986 Miss Teen-age America title may obtain entry forms if any U.S. K mart discount department store, the retailer announced today.

K mart Apparel Corp., a subsidiary of K mart Corp., is co-sponsoring the 1986 Miss Teen-age America program. Other sponsors are Lincoln Mercury, National Dairy Board and Sea Breeze.

Miss Teen-age America is an achievement program to recognize outstanding young women ages 13-18, according to Teen Magazine, which operates the program.

The Miss Teen-age America program seeks to recognize scholastic achievement, general awareness, individual accomplishment, community service, poise, appearance and personality.

The young women who is named Miss Teen-age America will receive a \$20,000 college scholarship, a 1986 Lincoln Mercury Capri, a K mart Apparel wardrobe and an assortment of beauty

products from Bristol Myers. She will travel nationally, appear on television and on a Teen Magazine cover, and write a monthly column for Teen.

Entry deadline is June 1. The program will culminate with the televised selection of Miss Teen-age America later this year.

Candidates must be enrolled in high school through at least 1988, have a "B" or better grade average and have special achievements.

Executive vice president of U.S. K mart Stores Larry M. Parkin said, "We are proud to be a sponsor of Miss Teen-age America because the program highlights American ideals such as scholarship and community service."

K mart Corp., parent company of K mart Apparel Corp., is the second-largest retailer in the world, with 1984 sales of \$21 billion. Headquartered in Troy, the company operates more than 2,100 K mart discount department stores in the U.S., Puerto Rico and Canada.

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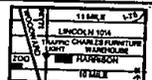
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