

# No rain delay for relays

**F**IFTEEN TEAMS and 10 individual runners took up residence at the West Bloomfield High School track early Saturday morning for the 1986 12-Hour Team Relays to benefit the Association for Retarded Citizens.

Brightly colored tents, tarps and awnings signalled their arrival in a misty rain, which at times became a

downpour. But no matter, at the assigned 8:30 a.m. starting time on a slick track, the race began. And by noon, the sun shone, although the chance of more showers was forecast.

The seven-member teams, which included "No Sense" from Farmington, "Sliders and Gliders" and

"M.D.T.C." from Birmingham, and "Athletics East" from Livonia, were competing to log the most total miles within the 12-hour period. Each runner completes a one-mile leg in sequence with the other team members.

The event, which is in its sixth year, was for 24 hours until this

year. But race director Ron Rich said, "A lot of people were tired of staying overnight."

Many of the participants have come back year after year. But the most dedicated has to be Rick Graf, a former Southfield resident, who was transferred to California. Graf flew in Friday to take part.



Above: Don Mars, an early arrival, sets up a tent in the morning mist. Left: Mike Stallsmith of Southfield and Patrick Boyd of Troy are individual runners who planned to run for all 12 hours.



Dr. Andrew Lovy of West Bloomfield signals he has completed another lap on the rain-soaked West Bloomfield High School track.



John Bishop rigs a protective awning from the goal post, to stave off the rain. His "Meatmen" team is the defending champion.

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## short takes

If you recently opened a shop, captured an award, earned a promotion or are planning a new venture or project — and there's a Farmington-area business angle — we'd like to hear from you so we can share your news item with other Farmington Observer readers. Send items to: Short Takes, Farmington Observer, 32203 Grand River, Farmington 48024.

### CLARIFICATION

The man who plans to convert a vacant gas station into a muffler repair/oil change shop in Farmington Hills is Bill Hartsock of Northville, not of Farmington, as reported in the Observer on June 28.

The city council approved a request to rezone property on the northeast corner of Nine Mile and Middlebelt from local business to general business.

### NEW PRESIDENT

Richard Horsch, anesthesiologist at St. Mary Hospital, Livonia, was installed president of the 3,300-physician-member Wayne County Medical Society.

The Farmington Hills resident received his medical degree from Wayne State University. He served his internship at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Pontiac. He served his residency at St. Joseph and also Providence Hospital, Southfield. He joined St. Mary Hospital in 1965.

He is a member of the Michigan State Medical Society and the American Medical Association.

### NAMED MANAGER

National Bank of Detroit has appointed vice president Peter Stein as manager of the Corporate Cash Management Department.

He previously held the position of vice president and group head in that department. He is responsible for the development and marketing of cash management services to medium and large companies.

Stein joined NBD in 1971 as a management trainee in the Methods Department. Following several promotions and assignments in a range of banking areas, he was named vice president in 1982.

### CHOOSES AGENCY

Art Photography Inc. of Warren has chosen Hermanoff & Associates

of Farmington Hills as its public relations agency.

Art Photography features the work of William Plante, who has sold half a million of his photographs since 1974.

He has photographed exclusive collections for the Hallmark Cards Co., the Auburn-Cord-Duesenberg Car Museum in Auburn, Indiana and Colonial Williamsburg in Virginia. His works also hang in the guest and conference rooms of the Hyatt Regency in Dearborn.

**GROUND BREAKING SET**  
A 40,000-square-foot strip shopping center is planned for the southeast quadrant of Haggerty and 14 Mile.

Groundbreaking for Country Ridge Commons is scheduled for early fall. Opening is targeted for March.

A drugstore will likely be the anchor. "We're actively negotiating with several local chains for an 8,000-10,000-square-foot drugstore," said Steven Karas, president of Ludwig & Karas Inc., the Birmingham-based real estate broker.

The retail-service center will include a cleaners, a video store, a carryout restaurant, a dental office, a hair salon and a tanning salon, Karas said. About 13,000 square feet already has been committed, he said.

The developer is Troy-based Country Ridge Associates. Principals are Edward Boutsous and James Macksey.

### HE'S PROMOTED

Daniel Rose of Farmington Hills was promoted to senior manager in the accounting firm of Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co.

Rose specializes in providing accounting and tax services to privately held companies, including several in Farmington Hills.

Rose is active in the Farmington Area Jaycees, Farmington Green Homeowners Association and his church council.

### RECEIVES AWARD

Michaywe, a Thompson & Brown four seasons resort community south of Gaylord, will receive the Otsego County Outstanding Industry of the Year Award for 1986.

The Michaywe Owners Association and Michaywe Limited Partnership are being honored by the Gaylord Industrial Development Corp. for Michaywe's contribution to the local economy.

Says Harold Eligas of the IDC, "Michaywe has had, and continues to have, a tremendous impact on the

community. It adds millions of dollars to our tax base and provides numerous jobs in construction, services, and retail sales by its presence. Residents of Michaywe are active in our community and their individual contributions add considerably to the quality of our lives. We owe a deep debt of gratitude to the Michaywe community and this is our opportunity to show it."

Robert Jenkins, president of the Michaywe Owners Association, will accept the honors along with William Brown, president of Thompson & Brown of Farmington Hills and the general partner of Michaywe Limited Partnership.

Thompson & Brown developed the site in the late 1960s. It encompasses 3,600 acres of Northern Michigan woodlands. The resort has 800 members and the community has 375 residents.

On April 28, a major expansion and redevelopment was announced for Michaywe. Expected to be completed within the next three years will be an additional 18-hole golf course, new lodge and conference center and new tennis courts at an estimated cost of \$4 million.

Michaywe includes an 18-hole championship golf course, three tennis courts, an indoor/outdoor pool, dining room, lounge, cross-country ski trails, and nine downhill ski slopes.

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