Training for teachers is intensifying

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Shibler said he is interested not only in recruiting the first-year teacher, but also insuring "those teachers are competent. I want someone who selected teaching be-

Farmington Superintendent Graham Lewis said about the staff develop-ment and training concept. "It's an evolutionary step, it's not a passing facer."

fancy."
Walled Lake assistant superin-tendent for finance Linda Moskalik said recent increases in staff devel-

opment budgets in her district have given the district not only more in-formed teachers, but a "more enthu-siastic "staff."
"There are positive vibrations," she said, "because we are committed to getting these people trained. It's nice to see people getting excited."

Residents pose questions

BUT COSTICK told Pilkinton that moing and other issues — other than a house in violation of building codes — "are really not within the purview

Councilwoman Joan Dudley told the resident there was no need for a hearing. "All we literally can do is protest their findings." And the city agrees with the state that a license

Class focus — arthritic youth

As many as 250,000 American children have some form of arthritis. This figure alone should dispel the stereotyped notion that arthritis is a disease of old age.

The parents of a child with arthritis 500n become the primary care-giver and, as such need to be equipped with knowledge and understanding of arthritis and how to manage it.

The Arthritis Foundation is offer-ing, for the first time, an arthritis self help course directed toward par-ents and older teenagers.

election '86

Notes and news about the 1986 fall political campaign:

The Michigan Council for the Arts has awarded 14 grants totaling 114,760 to further the work of artists, arts organizations and arts institutions throughout the 18th State Senate District.

These awards open for present of the council of the coun

ments are made on the bouse, sixe said. Pillinton told council be has made complaints to the state DSS and has copies of other alleged complaints about the applicants, who operate bomes in the Detroit metropolitan area. The resident received copies of alleged complaints under the 1976 Michigan Freedom of Information Act.

The six week class provides edu-cation about arthritis, treatments, exercise, relaxation medication and joint protection. The course en-courages group participation and mutual support between partici-pants.

The class will be given at the Arthritis Foundation. 23999 Northwestern Highway, Southfield. It begins at 7 pm. Tuesday, Oct. 28. The fee for the course is \$20, which covers the cost of testbooks and printed materials. For scholarship information, call the foundation, 259-3030.

should not be issued until improve-ments are made on the bouse, she

thority over group home site and placement. Mayor Joe Alkateeb sug-gested the city notify the state and ask for more information about the applicants. "I am of the opinion we applicants. "I am of the oppositions should file some objections," he said.

Councilwoman Jody Soronen

Councilwoman Jody Soronen agreed
"Given that there is some question about the ability of the applicant to run the home in a manner that is acceptable to the city, state and residents ... we, on behalf of neighbors, would at least like these complaints answered."
There are 11 state-designated group homes in Farmington Hills, according to recent city records. They are on Shiawassee, Middlebelt, Tuck, Waldron, Drake, Rollcrest, Hull, Greening and East Lyman.

"I don't feel the city is the proper party to protest under that basis," Dudley said, referring to alleged complaints that were not detailed or discussed.

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The only basis on which the city can protest, Dudley continued, is on the physical structure of the house. Other complaints must be made to the state DSS.

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Both state and local education of-ficials are coocerned with a recent school employee retirement law that allows record numbers of workers to retire this year.

Following one year of study, the state committee developed several recommendations. It advocates a massive \$50 million recruitment campaign involving the business community to encourage young peo-ple to choose teaching at a profes-sion. The group also wants to raise teacher standards and improve teacher training programs at the state level, appointment of "men-tors" for teachers, offer teachers more incentives and increase their salaries.

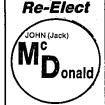
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The Michigan Education Association, the union which represents many teachers statewide, has endorsed the proposals, which attempt to raise the level of professionalism

CERTIFICATION TESTING for teachers is part of the state proposal. Shibler has strong feelings about what constitutes a good teacher, and said if additional certification is necessary, he supports it.

"I'm a strong believer in teachers or administrators having content knowledge . . . knowing his or teachers or the subject and communicating it. If that requires a test, then so be it."



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The Clarenceville district is taking a three-pronged approach to training beginning this year. It involves strengthening individual building needs and staffs, instructional building provements and instructional strategies.

Moskalik supports additional training — and maybe more educational time— for teachers at the college level, giving better preparations to new teachers.

In Farmington, three new teacher trainers are being hired to supplement the newly created staff development department headed by assume that the same teaching and teach those who are in college the basic of good teaching. "Colleges are more and more teaching and teach those who are in the newly created staff development department headed by assume that the same teaching and teach those who are in the provided that the same teaching and teach those who are in the same teaching and teach those who are in the same teaching and teaching



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