#### Annie Get Your Gun

Katle Kretter takes the title role and Dave Frazzlni takes the role of Frank Butter in Farmington High School's production of "Annie Get Your Gun." Opening night curtain is at 8 Saturday in the school on Shlawassec, west of Orchard Lake Rond. The show continues with a 2 p.m. matinee Sunday, and 8 p.m. curtains Friday and Saturday, March 25-26. Tickets are \$5, or \$3 for seniors and students at the door.



## Chorus sings greetings to mark 100th birthday

The Half Notes, a 50-voice chorus from Kurtz Elementary School in Millord, will be singing "Happy Birthday" as well as other musical greetings to Henry F. Fenningdorf Sr. In Oak Hill Care Center. The chorus comes as a gift from Laurel Flores, director of the group and Fenningdorf's grandaughter, in celebration of his 190th birthday. Penningdorf was born April 8, 1888, in Detroit. His parents, three brothers and two sisters, moved many times during his young life in Detroit and its suburts, and Fenningdorf had many careers in his adult life throughout the same area. But he will be remembered most

But he will be remembered most as owner and operator of Fenning-dorf and Sons, a truck farm of vege-tables and flowers and later a farm and green house on 10 acres of land on Evergreen Road, south of Nine Mile

Mile.

In 1930 Fenningdorf began farming what was then known as "the Miller Farm." His green house was the first ever to be built in Southfield. In 1969 the city fathers declared Fenningdorf and Sons the oldest business in Southfield.

For a long while Fenningdorf op-erated the green house from his wheelchair. At 39 he became a resi-dent of a senior citizen apartment in Livonia. After a fall carly in 1987, constant care was required, and he entered Oak Hill Care Center.

FENNINGDORF'S career as a farmer began at the age of 12 when he earned his board, room and \$5 a month. By 1911 he was able to rent his own farm of 300 acres in Greenfleld Township, where Grand River and Myers Road come together now.

It was during this time that he was a neighbor of Henry Ford, brought his harvest to Eastern Market, and met Martha Lang whom he married in 1912.

The couple had five children: Esther Bluhm, Ruth Hoeppner, who is deceased, Doris Murphy, Henry Jr. and Earl.

He farmed until 1917 when a real estate developer purchased the land. He entered the creamery business and prospered until the Depression.

Then he and his wife opened a candy store, sold ice cream, candy and hamburgers to the students at Western High School in Detroit. And again the property was sold.

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Still another attempt at making candy in Henry's Sweet Shop was shut down when Martha Fenning-dor's health was being affected by the refrigeration. It was then that Fenningdorf returned to farming, this time in Southfield.

Fenningdorf was widowed in 1963.
"He is still alert and knows what all his grandehildren are doing and where they are," said his daughter Esther Bluhm, a resident of Redford.

"Since last Christmas he has been talking about and looking forward to the family celebration of his 100th birthday." Among those celebrating will be his nine grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and one great-grad-grandchild.



### Lineup of center's events listed

Farmington Community Center staff has announced the spring line-up of events.

At 7.30 p.m. Thursday, March 17, "The Firebird," a presentation by the Goodtime Players will run as the March edition of the center's Family Dessert Theater.

Ilving room at the center, are \$10 per person and are available in the center. An artist's reception will follow the concert.

"Rumplestlitskin," another play douced by the Ann Arbor Good-time Players begins at 7 p.m. Taurs-

Dessert Theater.
Shimmering with song, dance and feathers, this musical comedy brings alive a funny, poligant tale that has enchanted children and adolls for centuries. A talented cast and a wonderful script combine to show that loving means accepting others for what they are.
Tickets are \$4 per person or \$12 for a family and include dessert immediately following the performance.

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At 7:30 p.m. Sunday, March 20, The Detroit Concert Brass will per-songs of the Renaissance, the rag-time dances of Scotl Jophia and the songs of Gershwin, Eillington and others from the big-band era, per-formed in the acoustically perfect

low the concert.

"Rumplestiltskin," another play produced by the Ann Arbor Gooditime Players begins at 7 pm. Thate, And Arbor Gooditime Players begins at 7 pm. Thate, And Arbor Gooditime Players begins at 6 pm. State of the show teaches the bad effects of lying and offers a happy ending. Desert will also follow this production. Tickets for the show are \$4 per person or \$12 for a family and are available in the center.

THE HIGHLIGHT of the entire Festival of Music comes at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, April 24, with performances by The Dennis Tini Quartet featuring George "Sax" Benson.

Tini, who regularly performs and conducts in Europe and the Montreux International Jazz Festivals in Switzerland and Detroit, will entertain at 7:30 pm. at the center. As director of jazz studies at Wayne State University, Tini also heads the

Choral Union and Orchestra and Women's Chorale. His concert will feature standards from be-boy concerns the concerns of the center, the Farmington Board of Education and fudson's will begin at 2 p.m. April 24 in Harrison High School. The orchestra is known for its precise interpretations of the classics as well as modern orchestradions. Tickets for the event are available in the center for \$5 per person.

The Farmington Community Central in Community Central of the Community Cent Taipei art

on display

More than 30 examples of Chinese painings, calligraphy, knotting art and paper cutting makes up the National Taiple institute of Technology Art Exhibit on display through March 27 in Oakland Community [26's Smith Theatre. The gallery n from 10 pm. 10 5 pm.

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# Chocolate and sugar make barnyard scene, Talwan. Peter Rabbit, a large treasure egg. all molded and carved from cheest chickens, bunnies, ducks, chocolate, will be on display in the orn the cheest chickens.

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### Neighbors plan card party, lunch

Reservations are now being taken for Farmington Neighbors' Club spring luncheon and eard party, which begins with cocktails at 11 am. Wednesday, April 20, in Glen Oaks Country Club.
Reservations, at \$15 cach, must be made on or before Wednesday, April 21 with Beverly Pencliss, \$53-9621.
The event is staged as a benefit for Farmington Community Center and

Farmington Community Center and Ford Hospital Rehabilitation Cen-

Sheraton Oaks executive chef Joe Yezbick, pastry chef Cindy Ross and their culinary staff have been pre-paring the special barnyard display of chocolate and sugar creations for

"We're even encircling all of the animals in a long chocolate fence," Yezbick said. "To make everything, we'll use about 250 pounds of choco-late and almost 40 pounds of pastil-lage (sugar glaze) just for the candy barn."

Following the public display, the chocolate and candy creations will be sold to the general public with the proceeds going to Children's Hospital.



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### America's patron saint

Benjamin Franklin was born in Boston Jan. 17, 1706. He has been called "Americal's patron saint of common sense" and was successful in many fields inventor, publisher, author, philosopher, businessman, scientist and printer. The Quakertown Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution honors this great state sman.





