## Waldron Park sounds are not music to all

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drum up use of the center as a place for business seminars, meetings and conferences, he said.

Though there are attempts to move in new directions to improve the center's financial health, Freedman is cautious about eliminating classes that have long been a main-

classes that have long been a fundate "I really don't want to eliminate classes, however, I believe care should be taken in surveying classes to assure a maximum financial re-turn. Yet, we don't want to eliminate classes purely on a dollar basis," Freedman said.

FREEDMAN ALSO plans to look at the center's catering services. "But there's still a question about the kitchen"

she wants addressed by the city's parks and recreation division, which site feels pay more attention to residents north of 10 Mile.

Parks officials say they are surprised that complaints are continuing. They also deny favoritism

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cent complaint letter from sames-bottom.

Dennis Flizgerald, chairman of the city's parks and recreation com-mission, said, "I know we've ad-dressed needs of parks all over the city. We're working on buying a new park in the south end now. There's no one on the commission whose re-paration between the north and south."

Threas agrees. "If anything, it

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Dwyer agrees. "If anything, it (Waldron Park) probably gets more attention because we're aware of potential problems there."

Silli, Ranesbottom wants specific changes in the park. For starters, she wants the basketball court, which also serves as the park's park-ling lot, removed permanently or moved to the south side of the park where the never-used ice rink sits. "My contention is you can't have both." Ranesbottom said, referring to the basketball court and parking lot. "At 4:30 a.m., there's always a lot of cars here. Sunday nights are the gems. The music gets so loud, I can't hear my own TV. I want these gone, or the parking lot moved."

POTTER SAID he is willing to look at alternative sites for the basketball nets. "I told them, though, it wasn't something we would do with in the next few weeks. Total removal from the park, however, is beyond what we are looking at," be said what we are looking at," be said in the said of the

"The chain lock took us 13 years to get. Now what we understand is that there's little or no money out of that millinge (five-year, 0.5-mill park levy) for the park," Ranesbottom said.

Potter said revenue from the 1986 voter-approved park millage is pri marily for development of new parks. Waldron Park is maintained with revenue in the city's park operations budget. That is not to say nothing new can be done at the park, Potter said.

"We'll take a look at the needs at Waldron and we'll take a look at what we can do. But we still aren't sure about what we'ro doing with the new parks. But we'll take a look at what we can do. But we still aren't sure about what we'ro doing with the new parks. But we'll take a look at

new parks. But we'll take a look at the constructive suggestions made," Potter said.

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## New director stresses management

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ness approach to management," he said.

receive letters and personal visits asking for financial commitments,

Plaff said.
Proceeds will be used for the center's operating costs. The 20-year-old center is a non-profit organization, financially independent of the cities of Farmington and Farmington Hills. It relies on residents, patrons and businesses for financial

the kitchen."

Though director Plaff has placed a greater emphasis this summer on using the center's grounds for programming, Freedman said the house can't be forgotten because there's more winter than summer months in

more winter than summer months in Michigan.
That's why a one-man fund-raising effort by Farmington Hills city councilman Ben Marks has been critical to the house's future. Marks has a \$200,000 goal, of which proceeds will be restricted for capital improvements. The first project is repairing and improving the outdoor amphitheater, which is helping put the center on the cultural activities map.

to help offset the operating budget deficit, according to Pfaff.

A name change has become a growing issue because of the board's concern that residents and patrons mistakenly consider the center to be financed by the cities of Farmington and Farmington Hills.

But at the annual meeting in May, the name Longacre House Community Cultural Center Farmington, was rejected by the membership. "There seemed to be so much concern on behalf of the volunteers — and the volunteers are an important component — they felt that because of the traditions of the place, the name shouldn't be changed."



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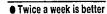
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Center fund-raiser continues

The annual fund-raiser that began in May is still going strong. "We're repleased with the fund-raiser. People are responding nicely." said executed the director Dorothy Pfaff.
Following the mailing of 25,000 requests for financial help in early May, center officials are involved in a telemarketing campaign reminding past users and donors of the 100,000 fund-raiser. Within a month, area corporations will community Center, 24705 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills 48018.

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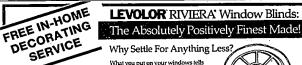
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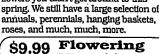
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