



Farmington school employees involved in the move from Highmeadow to Shiawassee look over plans for the new location as movers prepare to unload. Pictured are Pam O'Malley (left), director of school and community relations; Betty Wolford, supervisor of public relations; and Terry Klenzner, supervisor of adult and community education.

# More moves

## School district shifting programs for fall

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**I**T'S A FAR cry from a few years ago, when schools were closing and enrollments were declining.

Increased elementary enrollments, new pilot programs and expanding departments are causing the Farmington school district to play "musical chairs" this summer, as programs are shifted to different

buildings to accommodate the changes.

Some of these include:  
 • Highmeadow School — Reopened last year as a community education center, Highmeadow will become a pilot elementary school this fall, with specialized programs of choice for the 300 students who will attend from across the district. In addition, programs for gifted students will be built into the regular curriculum. The pilot will run for two years.

• Shiawassee Center — A former elementary school, and most recently home to Boys Republic, the district's staff development department, Farmington Youth Assistance and other variety programs, Shiawassee's purpose will change this year. The community and adult education programs that moved from Ten Mile School to Highmeadow last year will now be housed here. The Head Start program will be shifted from Alameda Early Childhood Center to Shiawassee, as well. Boys Republic programs will move to the Boys Republic media center which remain here, at least for now, school officials said.

• Ten Mile School — Located behind the Lewis Schulman Administrative Center and next to the 47th District Court, this building continues to take shape as an administrative annex. It houses reading and gifted departments, has offices for several curriculum coordinators and, new this fall, the expanding staff development department. Farmington Youth Assistance will move to the annex after its summer Youth Activities Center is finished for the year at Shiawassee.



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Geoff Pavlic of Livonia carries chairs into Shiawassee Center. The Farmington school district's community and adult education program was moved last week from Highmeadow School to Shiawassee.

## inkwell

Inkwell provides news and information about Farmington-area primary and secondary students. The column appears monthly throughout the year as part of the Observer's "School Page." Send news items to: The School Page, Farmington Observer, 3203 Grand River, Farmington 48024. Include a telephone number where a contact person can be reached during the day.

• **ALL AVERAGE**  
 Michael Hovanian of Farmington Hills was the only student at O.E. Dunckel Middle School to achieve an all A average this school year. His accomplishment was not only in regular subjects, but also in advance placement math class taken at North Farmington High and an advanced English class taken at Dunckel.

Hovanian, a cellist who played with the Dunckel Concert Orchestra, also recognized by receiving the National School Orchestra Award. He will attend North Farmington this fall.

• **PHI BETA KAPPA**  
 Mark Mayotte, a senior at Birmingham Brother Rice High School and a Farmington Hills resident, received the Matilda R. Wilson Fund award from the Association of Phi Beta Kappa's honors convocation.

• **INSTITUTE BOUND**  
 Marianne Doohee was chosen to participate in one of six national institutes sponsored by the U.S. Department of Energy this month.

The Walled Lake Central High School senior will study environmental science research at Oak Ridge National Laboratory in Tennessee. She was chosen for high academic achievement and achievements in science.

• **U-D GRADS**  
 A number of Farmington-area residents graduated from the University of Detroit High, an all-male Catholic school run by Jesuit priests in Detroit, May 23.

They included: Michael James Daray of Farmington Hills, Todd J. Elliott of Farmington Hills, David Michael Finnegan of Farmington Hills, Kevin Patrick Huse of Farmington, Christopher John Martin of Farmington Hills, Nicholas Paul Nagrant of Farmington Hills and Thaddeus A. Wojcik of Farmington Hills.

• **STUDENT LEADER**  
 Katie Kretler, a June graduate of Farmington High School, met with some of the nation's leading scientists, athletes, business people and artists as part of the "Sainie to Excellence" weekend — a tribute to the nation's leaders of today and tomorrow.

Such notables as Washington Post executive editor Ben Bradlee, singer Minnie Pearl, actor Richard Dreyfuss and mental scientist Wynon Marsalis were a few of the participants of the event, sponsored by Encyclopedia Britannica.

Kretler will be honored at a "welcome home" luncheon today at the Botford Inn in Farmington Hills, where she was named "Young Achiever of the Year." She was one of 40 top high school honors students attending the weekend in Nashville.

• **ODE TO HARRISON**  
 Two parents of Farmington Hills Harrison High School graduates sent a letter to principal Clayton Graham, thanking the staff and students for their children's experiences.

"Most of all, we have been repeatedly touched and amazed by the unique caliber of the student themselves — their conduct, character and camaraderie. It speaks well of them, their parents and the environment created for them by the Harrison staff and administration," said Richard and Gloria Truett, parents and consulting psychologists at.

They called it "a most enjoyable atmosphere, where our children can grow, feel secure and take away with them countless happy memories."

Their daughter, Jocelyn, graduated from Harrison in June. Their son, David, graduated three years ago.

• **5 GRADUATE**  
 Five young women from Farmington Hills graduated recently from Marian High School, an all-girls Catholic high school in Birmingham. They include: Sharon Allman, Andrea Cecchini, Nita Mandel, Erin Quaine and Roxann Walsh. Commencement was held May 31.

• **BAND ENTERTAINS**  
 The Farmington Hills Harrison High Marching Band entertained guests at Cedar Point June 5. The 60-member marching band performed at locations along the midway under the direction of Mark Phillips.

"The high school band performances have been a tradition at Cedar Point for many summers," said Jack Aldrich, director of park attractions at Cedar Point in Sandusky, Ohio.

• **EARN SCHOLARSHIPS**  
 Local elementary school students were awarded music scholarships for summer study at Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp at Twin Lake.

They include: Melanie Fischer of Longacre, Matthew Kendall of Wood Creek, Ewan Jason Jefferson of Leashire, Jollana Turse of William Grace, Jason Habich of Forest, Brady Birkett of Kenbrook, John Aratari of Wooddale, Sean Penderel of Beechview and Sara Zuckman of Eagle.

Each \$100 scholarship is awarded by the Marshall Music Co. of Lansing. Students have the opportunity to play under the direction of nationally-known conductors.

• **MAJORS ACCEPTED**  
 Farmington-area high school graduates were accepted into the Oakland University freshmen class of more than 1,000 students.

They include:  
 • Farmington High School graduates Lesanne Britts who will major in psychology, Ted Maier who will major in business administration, and Kelly Robbins who will major in elementary education.  
 • Harrison High graduate Karen Levinson, who has not selected a major.  
 • Mercy High School graduate Jennifer Antosco who has not selected a major.  
 • North Farmington High graduates Cheryl Abbecop, who is undecided on a major, Lisa Apfelblat, a psychology major, Christy Hicks, a history major and Amy Selik who is undecided on a major.  
 • Southfield Christian High graduate Jerry Strizman plans to major in business administration.

• **STUDENTS PICKED**  
 Three Farmington-area students are among the entering freshmen selected to receive a share of \$1 million in academic scholarships from Western Michigan University this fall.

They include: Harrison High graduate Jennifer Bilzmk, North Farmington High graduate Christopher Cahill and Farmington High graduate Michael Neal.

• **STANDOUT SENIOR**  
 Detroit Country Day School graduate Christopher Gliniski, of Farmington Hills, was elected by faculty to receive the Army and Alden Shaw Award.

Named for Country Day's founding headmaster and his wife, this cup is given annually to the senior who, by his or her cooperation and contribution, best furthers the principles and ideals of the Beverly Hills School.

Gliniski was a Summa Cum Laude in his junior year and achieved Magna Cum Laude honors during his other three years of upper school. He was elected class president as freshman



Gliniski

and served as class treasurer for the past three years. An outstanding athlete, he was named an All-State player in both lacrosse and football. He was co-captain of the football team this year.

Gliniski plans to attend the Wharton School of Business of the University of Pennsylvania this fall.

Other Farmington Hills residents graduated from the school in June: Siraj Bohra, Patrick Dorevaux, Steven Ekizian, Mert Eroglu, Daniel Grand, Eric Hersback, Nirmal Nandakumar, Anthony Shapers, Berry Shin and Fazlur Zakaurullah.

• **3 SCHOLARSHIPS**  
 Three Farmington High School graduates were awarded \$1,000 recognition of excellence scholarships through Eastern Michigan University in Ypsilanti recently.

They are Lisa Smith, Christine Taube and Angela Zaino.

• **LEARNING CENTER**  
 A new center for advanced learning opened in Farmington Hills. The Wehrli Center, owned by educator Kitty Wehrli, opened June 6 at its new location at 28423 Orchard Lake Road.

Wehrli will incorporate her own methods of teaching individuals to increase their educational output and effectiveness. The center accepts students of all ages.

• **SAFETY PATROL**  
 Jason Verlinde, a AAA Michigan Safety patrolter from William Grace Elementary in Farmington Hills, participated in the annual Safety Patrol Recognition Day at Boblo Island.

The 7,000 Michigan students contributed 300 volunteer hours to help 1.3 million fellow students arrive safely at school and home during the 1987-88 school year.

• **CLASS OPTIONS**  
 High school students in the Farmington district are reminded that they can take 23 "center" courses, although some may be located at a different high school.

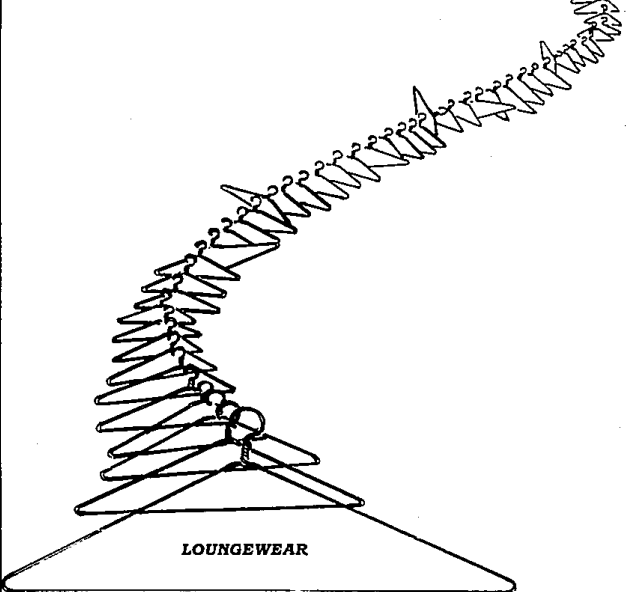
Students from any of the three high schools may elect these class offerings, and will be bused by the district to and from their home school.

The classes include:  
 • Farmington High School — Latin 1,2,3,4; Photo/printing; production arts; architectural drafting; engineering drafting; medical skills 1,2; child development 2; preschool seminar.  
 • Harrison High School — German 1,2,3,4; Advance Placement Chemistry; Advance Placement Physics; memorial procedures.

• North Farmington High School — TV2-10 Inter; wood shop 1,2; medical skills 1,2.

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