

business briefs

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ON MEDICAL STAFF

Andrew Anglim, a certified physician's assistant from Sterling Heights, was named to the medical staff at Farmington Urgent Care, Farmington Hills, a walk-in, immediate-care facility. Anglim received an associate's degree as a physician's assistant from the U.S. Army Academy of Health Sciences in San Antonio and completed further training at Baylor University, Waco, Texas.

He brings 20 years of medical experience, including service in Vietnam, and 14 years as a certified physician's assistant. He has worked on hospital staffs, in emergency rooms and in the field of family practice. He also has occupational medical experience.

He was certified by the National Certifying Commission on Physician's Assistants, Atlanta, in 1975.

DESIGN AWARD

Robert Bosch Corp. Office & Research Center Phase II in Farmington Hills has won an Engineering Society of Detroit 1989 Construction and Design Award.

This program honors excellence in Michigan architecture and construction. Winning entries were chosen as outstanding based on seven criteria: land use/environmental considerations; appropriateness of materials; innovation in construction materials; quality of overall design; uniqueness of engineering systems features; degree of energy consciousness; and end use/social and economic impact on Michigan.

Architect of the Bosch project was Ellis/Naney/Gentelmer Associates. General contractor was DeMaris Building Co.

TAX LAW REPEAL

U.S. Rep. Bill Broomfield, R-Birmingham, calling a new tax on employee benefits a threat to American

small businesses, has joined a growing list of representatives seeking to overturn the measure, according to the National Federation of Independent Business.

NFIB, the nation's largest advocating organization representing small and independent businesses, has 570,000 members, including 22,500 in Michigan.

The measure, entitled Section 89, became effective on Jan. 1. It requires all employers to conduct a series of tests to determine if their employee insurance benefits plans are distributed equally between workers.

"Small businesses are already faced with many paperwork and tax burdens," said Broomfield, whose district includes the Farmington area.

"This is another example of shortsighted federal involvement in the day-to-day operations of American businesses. It is costly, a bureaucratic nightmare and may force smaller employers to drop their health insurance plans. Section 89 doesn't help anyone — employers or employees."

NFIB president John Sloan said Broomfield's support of the repeal

movement shows that he recognizes the problems that all small business face in dealing with complicated tax policies. He said that Section 89, if not repealed, will put companies and employees at risk of facing income tax penalties.

To date, an NFIB-led coalition of business associations have garnered the support of more than 200 co-sponsors for the repeal bill. The groups are aiming for at least 218 supporters, the minimum number required for passage in the U.S. House.

NEW DEALERSHIP

Farmington-based Long Lake Building Co. has been awarded a dealership by Wedgeor Steel Building Systems, of Denver. Seeking to expand into other markets, Wedgeor selected the Farmington Hills company from a list of applicants.

Previously concentrating on residential construction, Long Lake made application for the dealership with the intent to diversify its portfolio. The venture will allow the company's participation in commercial, light industrial and agriculture construction.

Wedgeor's claim to success in the

industry is its technology and production systems, producing the highest quality materials available.

Its production capabilities range from small garages, warehouses and storage buildings to showrooms, strip centers, light industrial plants (with crane facilities), churches and multi-use buildings. Wedgeor can produce from its stock plans or work to custom drawings.

According to company owner and president Lawrence Rosperski, Long Lake's entry into the field will be as supplier, supplier/erector, or as turnkey general contractor. He adds, they also intend to seek out joint ventures as investments in small commercial projects as well.

NEW EMPLOYEES

Straight Inc. has added Mindy Peck and Kathy Sarcevic of Farmington Hills to its Plymouth staff.

Peck, a 1982 University of Wisconsin graduate, was admissions counselor. After receiving a degree in psychology, she went to work for H.I.L. Inc. in Milwaukee as a psychiatric counselor. H.I.L. is a private residential center for the mentally retarded. In 1985, she joined Oak Leyden Development Center as a program director. Oak Leyden is a vocational rehabilitation center in Oak Park, Ill.

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KEY AGENTS

Farmington-area-based Gerald C. Grace Agency, Griffin-Smalley Agency, Frank Hand Agency and Klebba Agency were named to the Key Agents Club in 1989 by Citizens Insurance Co. of America.

This marks Frank Hand Agency's first year in the club. The other agencies are repeat club members.

"The Key Agents Club is a special honorary group established by Citizens to recognize above-average premium combined with outstanding underwriting results by the independent agencies representing us," said James Coville, marketing vice president at Howell-based Citizens.

The four local agencies each placed at least \$1.5 million in premiums with Citizens in 1988 and met all other requirements to qualify for the Key Agents Club.

chamber perspectives

State of Cities — More than 150 business people attended the chamber's annual State of the Cities Breakfast hosted by Alexander Hamilton Life Insurance Co. The presentation were made by Mayors Terry Sever and Richard Tupper and city managers Bill Costick and Bob Deadman. Topics included parks, business beautification awards, Year

2000 Task Force, road improvements on 12 Mile, M-9 and Or and Lake Road, Farmington H. use, downtown Farmington plans, R. river concerns and solid waste.

Secretary's Day — The annual Secretary's Day lunch will feature Jennifer Moom, WDIV-TV newscaster, as the speaker. Her remarks will

cover managing career and family and her views on the metropolitan business climate. The date for the lunch is noon Thursday, April 13, at the Botsford Inn, at Grand River and Eight Mile. Reservations are necessary (474-3410). The cost is \$12 per person.

Founders Festival — The dates for the Festival are July 8-15. The

activities this year will include:

- Sat-Sun, Civil War re-enactment
- Sunday, model airplane show
- All week, meals at the Masonic Temple
- Wednesday, Miss Farmington Pageant
- Thursday through Saturday, food, crafts
- Saturday, parade.

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF ANNUAL RETURN

Pursuant to Section 6104(d) of the Internal Revenue Code, notice is hereby given that the annual return for the fiscal year end November 30, 1988 of the Rodger D. Wasserman Family Foundation, a private foundation is available at the foundation's principal office for inspection during regular business hours, 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M., by any person who requests it within 180 days after the date of this publication. The foundation's principal office is located at 3080 Orchard Lake Road, Keego Harbor, Michigan 48320-1402. The principal manager of the foundation is Rodger D. Wasserman. The accountant is Harry Siegel, 4309 North Westfield, Farmington Hills, Michigan 48018. The phone number of the principal office is 681-5800.

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