

## Helping hand

## Centennial picnic set

Peter Schaldenbrand.
The school is also offering a cen-ennial certificate for all former stu-ents, teachers, administrators, cus-

As part of the birthday celebra-tion, Thayer-Rock funeral directors in Farmington have donated a time capsule that will be buried on the school grounds.

# Helping kids THINK about drugs

Larkshire Elementary fifth-graders will learn in May why they should say no to drugs and alcohol. "We've gone into the schools be-

"We've gone into the schools be-fore and done drug programs. But it was always a dog and pony show. This program will get a lot more in-depth," said Lt. Richard Murphy of the Farmington Hills Police Depart-

ment.
The new THINK — Teaching, Helping, Involving, Noticing, Kids — is a pilot program designed to help

Hills hotel gets

liquor license

make it easier and more comfortable for youngsters to say no to friends, acquaintances and siblings. THINK will be conducted by potential to the second of t

# cepted as a supplement." Scheduled for May 10, 12, 17, 19 and 24, the five sessions will take the approach that drug and alcohol abuse is a disease. Four basic lessons make up the program. Larkshire teachers asked for a fifth session to answer students' questions and re-view the material.

"THE WHOLE purpose of the program is to give the kids some information and the kids some information as a discase." Murphy said. "Were going to give them some information so they can make a choice."

The fifth grade was chosen for the pilot program because they are about to enter middle school. "If everything works out through this program, we are going to implement it in all elementary schools in the district in the fifth grade," Murphy said.

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The next targeted grades most likely would be third-graders and also eighth-graders, who are preparing for high school. Farminges in Action presents a substance abuse program for fourth-graders, Murphy added.

The THINK program will begin with explanations about the physical effects of alcohol, marijuana and co-caine on the body. Police officers will then explain what it's like to live in a chemically dependent family.

"This will involve understanding

nator Sherry Murphy said in December.
The program also will focus on soil-esteem and the goal of saying to to drugs and alcohol comfortably and without fear of ridicule from peers. Officers will do some role laying on decision making to illustrate how students can say no. Students also will be asked to record the decisions they've made within the week.

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THE FINAL lesson will cover the legal and safety aspects of chemical use and how to get help.

Farmington Hills officers learned how to help youngsters through the HINNE program last December with the help of the Maplegrove Training Institute. The training program and the Larkshire pilot program are part of the Farmington Hills Folice Department Citizens Crime Advisory Committees 1-D-point plan to fight chemical abuse in the community, "Anytime you're dealing with a touchy subject, we anticipate there'll be a student who comes forward and says, "Hey, I've got a problem at home." McElroy said.

The health coordinator said it's hoped the THINNE program will be accepted as a supplement to the district's health program.

Student Painters Jason Kavanaugh (left) of West Bloom-field and Ron Waters of Rochester scrape paint from play-ground equipment at the Sarah Flaher Home for Children in Farmington Hills Saturday, Western Michigan University juniors and West Bloomfield residents Chris Abbott and Chris Dialon, who hold Student Painters franchises in Birin Farmington Hills Saturday, western manufactures, juniors and West Bloomfield residents Chris Abbott and Chris Dishon, who hold Student Painters franchises in Birmingham and West Bloomfield, respectively, oversaw five fellow Student Painters who also denated their services to the Sarah Flaher Home. The Student Painters, working to raise money for college, will return to the Sarah Flaher Home this weekend to paint the playground equipment.

Farmington High's centennial celebration continues May 21 with a picnic on the school grounds.
Field events, music and lunch are in the plans, according to teacher Peter Schaldenbrand.

Assured by the police department that sone of Marriott Corpt's eight corporate-owned hotels in Michigan has violated state liquor laws, the city council has approved a liquor illenses for the chairs new 180 million botel in Farmington fillib. Unaulmous approval of the full-year Class B hotel license, with Sundys sales, is centingent on a complete inspection once the Courtyard by Marriott Hotel opens by mid-1990.

"The council is more and more concerned about the types of applications (for liquor licenses) and about those (licenses) who are violating the law, "Mayor Terry Ever said Roodsy.

See a good ciltzen." Marriott has been a good ciltzen." Marriott attorney Marry Burnstein of Southfield, told the city council. "They will continue to be a good ciltzen."

The 152-forom, four-story hotel is going up on 4½ acres in the Orchards Corporate Center, an office park under development by Birningham-based Anthony S. Brown Development Co., on Orchard Drivas countess of 12 Mille and Orchard Lake Road.

# two meeting rooms with 25-person capacities. It will be residential in ortentation and atmosphere, Burnstein said. There will be no entertainment. Marriott Corp.'s Courtyard Division is based in Washington, D.C. A class B iquor license is a fulliquor license and will be taken from the city's Class C (liquor by the glass) quota bank. The new hotel will be the third lodging establishment at 12 Mile and Orchard Lake Road. The 185-room Dillion inn, to the east of the planned Courtyard, is a limited service, economical hotel. The 204-room Clarion, a full-service hotel, is across Orchard Lake Road. ZERO POINTS MORTGAGE

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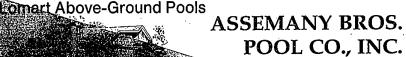
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