

# The Artists Club marks 25th year

On Feb. 10, 1965, a group of area artists gathered at the home of Dolores Gasior to organize an art club. The Farmington Artists Club soon became a reality.

The founding members — Gasior, Irene Schmidt, Margaret Love, Dolores De Clark, Marilyn Jenks, and Eileen Schenkel — immediately began to organize exhibits, lectures and the framework for the club.

The club's first exhibit was in the Hobby Shop in Farmington April 25, 1965. From this spirited beginning the club has now reached its 25th anniversary.

Nine members will be celebrating their 25th year with the club. They are Dorothy Clark, Peggy Davis, Garry Hyde, Annetta Lind, Gladys McMillan, Eleanor Mcintosh, Alice Nichols, Beverly Schroll and Eileen Schenkel.

All told, 17 artists have been members for 20 years or more.

The Farmington Artists Club's purpose has always been to stimulate an active interest in the creative arts in its members and the community. This is done through lectures, workshops, demonstrations and exhibits. The club is also involved in donating to art charities, and especially to the Farmington Art Foundation, which is the service arm of the FAC.

THE FARMINGTON Art Foundation supports senior adult art classes, which are given in the Farmington Hills Senior Adult Center. Club members contribute their time and skills to help the senior artists.

The foundation also supports the Picture Lady Program in local ele-

mentary schools. Portfolios of prints and resource folders are co-ordinated by Jeli Feltwick and Helena Lewicki, and delivered to the schools by club members.

Parent volunteers, The Picture Ladies, then use the portfolios to help develop creative thinking in the children through a fun experience with art.

Nichols began this program in 1973, and it has since expanded to 16 public and private schools in the Farmington area.

The FAC sponsors spring and fall exhibits, which are now set up in Nardin Park United Methodist Church. Monthly exhibits of individual artists' works are displayed in the art rooms of the Farmington and Farmington Hills Branch Libraries.

The FAC has grown from the original handful of members to 176 full members, 50 associates, 12 friends, and a waiting list of about 40 people. The club is represented on the Farmington Art Commission, the Inter-Agency Council of Farmington/Farmington Hills, and the Year 2000 Committee.

The monthly meetings of the club are always at 7 p.m. on the second Wednesday of the month in Farmington Hills Branch Library.

These meetings are open to the public. Each month an informative lecture is presented. The lectures cover all types of media, styles, and techniques. The speakers are always inspiring.

## campus pipeline

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### • new graduates

William Kirk, David Rieger and Jason Stattel of Farmington Hills graduated from Ferris State University.

### • Presidents list

John Looney of Farmington Hills was named to the president's list at North Georgia College, Dahlonega, Ga.

### • Student intern

Scott Mazey of Farmington Hills was selected as the student intern for the programming department at WJBK-TV2, Southfield. One of his first projects will be to work as a production assistant for the Detroit Pistons' "Chuck Daly Show."

Mazey is a senior majoring in communications at the University of Michigan. He is a 1986 Farmington High School graduate.

### • honor society

Kimberly Trabble of Farmington Hills was elected for membership into Tau Beta Phi, a national engineering honor society, at the University of Michigan. She is a junior majoring in materials science and engineering.

Kenneth Lipka of Farmington Hills was initiated into the Ohio Northern University chapter of Tau Beta Phi engineering honor society.

### • honors list

The following students from the Farmington area were named to the honors list at Central Michigan University: Matthew Callin, Cynthia Haskin, Lisa Mycek, David Peterson and Julie Zedan.

### • squad member

Kimberly Larson of Farmington Hills is a member of the 1990 North Park College Pompano Squad. Larson, a North Farmington High graduate, is an elementary education and communication major.

### • earns awards

Roberto Devoto of Farmington earned a 4.0 grade point at the University of Michigan during his first semester.

He received the University of Michigan's Scholar Recognition Award, the University of Michigan's Groesbeck Honorary Freshman Engineering Scholarship and the Alumni Association of the University of Michigan's Regents-Alumni Scholar Merit Award. He is a National Hispanic Scholar.

### • dean's list

Jody Lynn Chapman of Farmington Hills was named to the dean's list at the School of Education, University of Michigan-Dearborn. She is a 1986 Farmington High graduate.

Jana Jensen of Farmington was named to the dean's list at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio. She is a 1988 Farmington High graduate.

John Ewing, David Green, Clifford Higgins III, Jeffrey Kovak, Meghan Leavy, Mark Rakoczy and Michele Sturdy of Farmington Hills were named to the dean's list at Northwood Institute, Midland.

Amy Smith of Farmington and

Praveen Pathak of Farmington Hills were named to the dean's list at Kalamazoo College.

### • national honorary

Nicholas Nigrant of Farmington Hills was inducted into Pi Tau Sigma, the National Honorary Mechanical Engineering Fraternity. He is a student at the University of Detroit.

### • she performed

Pamela Barr of Farmington Hills was among 96 Interlochen Arts Academy Orchestra musicians who performed in several Michigan communities in January. A freshman studying music at the Academy, Barr played the viola at each performance.

### • newly initiated

Kim Young of Farmington Hills was initiated in the Phi Beta Kappa Honorary at the University of Alabama.

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