Faxon honored for support of art

mix of humor and seriousness. The award was given at a luncheon at-tended by automotive officials, CCS faculty and trustees, artists and rep-resentatives of arts organizations.

State Sen. Jack Faxon, D-Farmington Hills, accepted the annual
Arts Award presented by Center for
Creative Studies last week with a

Exhibits to help AIDS research

A monthlong fund-raising event,
"Art for Life," sponsored by Ald for
AIDS Research (AFAR), opens with
a 3 p.m. gallery crawl Saturday,
May S. in Birmingham and continues
frough June 2.
Gailleries participating in the
crawl include Cantor/Lemberg,
Felgenson/Preston, Hill, Susanne
Hilberry, Haisted, Kidd, Donald
Mortis, N'Namdt, Xochipilli and
Yaw.

After that the focus will shift to e Galleria Officentre in Southfield for the Independent Artists Exhibi-tion and 5 p.m. opening reception.

THE WORK of more than 110 in-dependent artists will be on display at 400 Galleria Officenter. In the 300 Galleria Atrium, entertainment will be provided by Ursula Walker and Buddy Budson Sextet featuring Dan Kolton, Danny Spencer, Jack Brokensta, Larry Nozero and Marcus Belgrave.

Food is being catered by the Beverly Hills Grill, Middown Cafe, Puschinello's and Richard & Reis.

A commencative anthology of the show, documenting Detroit art of 1930, will be available to ticket bolders on opening night at a discount price.

Tax-deductible tickets, 252, are available at participating galleries, Chosen Books, Royal Oak, Times Square in downtown Detroit and at Galleria Officentre on the day of the event.

PARTICIPATING ARTISTS are PARTICIPATING ARTISTS are donating a portion of the price of each artwork to the \$100,000 goal, which will go to Henry Ford Hospital AIDS Research Fund, Wellness Networks of Detroil and Wellness House of Detroil. Other participating galleries not on the crawl are Joy Emery Gallery of Grosse Pointe, Swidler Gallery and Sybaris Gallery of Royal Oak.

Troy author to speak

Italian Study Group of Troy will have Linda Lang Bartell, Troy author, as speaker for the meeting at 8 m. Monday at the Troy Community Center, Big Beaver at 1-75, Troy. Bartell will talk about her latest book. "Caressa," which is set in 15th book. "Caressa," which is set in 15th book, "Caressa," which is set in 15th book, April 1990; centers around Books, April 1990; centers around the Pazzi conspiracy against Lorenzo and Giuliano de Medici of Florence in 1478.

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stitute of Arts, in which he described Faxon as "a true Renaissance man." Faxon spoke about his interest in the arts and convictions about its importance.

In Faxonian style, he opened with. "I'm told I only have two boars... and conflued, "You may remember arts was not a priority in this state in the '60s."

He said when he found how much

He sald when he found how much money was being speat on outdoor recreation in Michigan, he decided it was time to seek equal amounts for indoor recreation.

"Why should people who prefer comfort be treated differently." he quipped. He said, "Where the arts thrive, evillation is at its best," adding that there is less crime, less mental illness in a society when arts are important and studies support this. "Where there is conflict—you can act it out, show it you can act it out, sing it out, show it visually."

LEON COHAN, chairman of Michigan Council for the Arts, told the audience that Faxon was responsible for the legislation that created Michigan Council for the arts and said, "He's always on the ramparts for the arts."

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Cohan said the arts in Michigan are under attach by "the yabova and the senseless bigots ... censorably of the arts in whatever forem, must be senseless bigots ... censorably of the arts in the water of the arts as exemplified by Nazi Germany and Stalinist Russia." At the same time be urged the arts community to recognize its responsibility in respect to what is presented as well.

Cohan said goals for Michigan Council for the Arts have been defined in a statement on long-range planning — to have art education in the basic curriculum in the sebools: to increase recognition for the value of the arts, and to convince legulators to allocate funds.

He said the council will work in every way possible to create a wider constituency for the arts at state and twenty way possible to create a wider constituency for the arts at state and "My strong belief is that a young person turned on to the arts is less takely to fall wielim to the negative effects of society."

Others who have received the Arts Award from Center for Creative Studies include Peter Stron, Gilbert and Joseph Hudson, Peggy and Walter Midener, Louis Redstone, Charles McGee and Joy Hakanson Colby.

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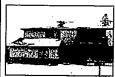




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