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QUEST host. A former Miss Farmington, Kelly Lynn Garver, who was Miss Michigan 1986, co-hosted the 41st Miss Michigan Scholarship Pageant in Muskegon Saturday.

The 33 contestants included the current Miss Farmington, Western Michigan University student Kerie Dwyer, who performed to "Le Jazz Hot." The new Miss Michigan is Miss Jackson County, Victoria Lynn Fair.

Although she wasn't one of the semifinalists, Dwyer will be back on stage to turn her crown and title over to the new Miss Farmington July 11 during the Farmington/Farmington Hills Founders Festival.

GOOD start. Management at the AMC Old Orchard Theatre in Farmington Hills was "very pleased with the turnout" during the opening weekend of the new "Dick Tracy" movie starring Warren Beatty and Madonna.

Of 17 showings, "quite a few were sellouts," a spokeswoman said.

QUOTE of the week

It would just bother me to death if I thought the city of Farmington was going to take that away from the kids.

— James Wilson, who lives at the base of the sledding hill owned by Farmington Public Schools at Shiawassee and Farmington Road. Story: 8A.

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EARLY DEADLINES
Due to the holiday, we will be closed Wed., July 4, 1990.
To place your classified liner ad in Thurs., July 5th edition, call before 5:00 p.m. Monday, July 2, 1990.

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Let Freedom Ring

Hills store owner faces porn charges

By Joanne Maliszewski staff writer

A Farmington Hills party store owner faces charges of selling hardcore pornographic magazines to a minor in a second police undercover crackdown on the sale of pornography.

Not-guilty pleas were entered on behalf of Walid Aziz Hanna, 39, owner of the Five Brothers, now known as Wally's party store, 29010 Eight Mile, at his arraignment June 15 before District Judge Fred Harris of Farmington.

'I look like I'm a big criminal now. I've never before even walked in a court.'

— Walid Hanna store owner

Hanna, a New Baltimore resident, faces two counts of distributing obscene material to a minor, which is a high misdemeanor. A preliminary examination on the charges is scheduled 8:30 a.m. Friday, June 22 before

Judge Harris.

If convicted, Hanna faces up to two years in prison and a \$10,000 fine for each of the two counts. He is free on \$1,000 personal bond.

"I really haven't had a chance to

review anything," said Hanna's attorney, Allen Ingle of Farmington Hills. "But if it's anything like the undercover liquor operations, I don't approve of them using minors."

Hanna, who said he preferred that his attorney comment, said he bought the store with everything in it four months ago. "Those magazines were there," Hanna said, adding that he feels he was "set-up."

HANNA SAID police inspect his store each month but never said anything about the magazines, which police say were in plain view. "I look

like I'm a big criminal now. I've never before even walked in a court," he said.

The charges stem from the Farmington Hills Police Department's second undercover operation May 8 in which a 16-year-old son of a police officer from another city bought two hardcore pornographic magazines with sexually oriented titles, said Lt. Richard Murphy of the Farmington Hills Police Department.

The minor took the two magazines, which he bought for \$19.95, to

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Fate of sledding hill still on hold

Public reaction, Page 8A

By Casey Hane staff writer

The Farmington City Council will apparently wait for school board action before making any recommendation on the safety of a sledding hill owned by the Farmington Public Schools.

In recent weeks, the possibility of closing the hill has been raised because of safety and liability issues.

Monday, the council voted 2-2, defeating a motion to recommend that sledding be moved from the hill owned by the Farmington Public Schools to Heritage Park, a facility owned by the city of Farmington Hills, which has a planned sled hill.

School administrators had asked the council for its opinion on safety issues surrounding the hill.

"I happen to think it should be closed," said councilman Ralph Yoder. "The time has come. Unfortunately, the kids are the ones who



The safety of the sledding hill on Farmington school district property at Shiawassee and Farmington Road is at issue.

are going to suffer. But it has to be done."

Yoder and councilman Richard Tupper voted for the motion calling the hill unsafe, while councilwoman JoAnne McShane and Mayor Shirley

Richardson voted against it, saying they needed further information and prior action from the school district before making a decision. Councilman William Harisock was absent.

The hill, at the corner of Farming-

ton Road and Shiawassee, has been a natural attraction for sledders of all ages for more than 30 years, said City Manager Robert Deadman.

THE ISSUE was first raised publicly at a June 5 school board meet-

ing, when trustees voted to table a plan to plant conifer trees on the hill, effectively prohibiting sledding there. Trustees did not raise the is-

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Chiefs: Casual drug use often overlooked

By Casey Hane and Joanne Maliszewski staff writers

Hard-core drug use in Farmington and Farmington Hills stands out like a sore thumb. It's simply not trendy to be known as a dope head.

But that's the veil that often leads to danger. The fact is, drug use is still part of many lifestyles in the Farmington area. Education and blasts of publicity have simply helped drive the problem underground.

"We begin to mentally block it out. I fear that's a tendency. That's the real danger in this," said Farmington Department of Public Safety director Frank Lauboff. "There is an attitude: 'If you lives in a nice

house and takes care of it and he doesn't bother me, why should I care?' That's a danger."

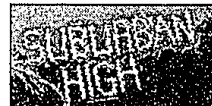
That's why it appears that the casual or recreational users can maintain a trendy suburban image as long as they can avoid hard-core use and the obvious deteriorating effects on their health and lifestyle.

"We arrest more than the casual user. They're so addicted. They don't care. They're noticeable," said Farmington Hills Police Chief William Dwyer.

Lauboff agreed. "There's no doubt. In this community, the hard-core user stands out. If you're a chronic or heavy user, you tend to attract other heavy users."

'I think we've been very fortunate. But it's only a matter of time and we're going to see some violence.'

— William Dwyer Farmington Hills police chief



THE AVERAGE age for drug use in Farmington Hills, Dwyer said, is 13-20, and most begin as casual users. With an older population, Farmington's drug use is a little more difficult to discern.

"The user here is a little more discreet. But use is probably more concentrated at the schools. It's a primary location for volume and avail-

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Anti-drug abuse program teaches students to think

By Joanne Maliszewski staff writer

After its first semester in the Farmington Public Schools, THINK is here to stay.

"It is not one of those programs that just tell the kids to say 'no' to drugs and alcohol. It gives them the information on saying 'no.' You just can't say, 'Don't do it,'" said Lt. Richard Murphy of the Farmington Hills Police Department.

The THINK program is a cooperative venture between the Farmington Department of Public Safety, Farmington Hills police, Farmington Public Schools and Maple Grove Training Institute, West Bloomfield. The program also was conducted in some parochial schools.

Hills, one from Farmington — took the THINK program to fifth graders. THINK — Teaching, Helping, Involving, Noticing Kids — represents a new effort that dovetails into the school district's Michigan Model health curriculum.

The program will begin again in January with fifth graders. When resources are available, the program is expected to be expanded to third and eighth graders. A second Farmington public safety officer is expected to be trained for the program.

"KIDS WILL now hear some consistent language," said Estralee Michaelson, one of two school district health/family life education coordinators.



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Farmington public safety officer Marie Pott discusses the dangers of substance abuse with a class of fifth graders at Flanders Elementary School in Farmington.

Police officers — two from Farmington

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