

It's party time for North graduates

IT WAS a proud Deborah Clarke who presented the Class of 1990 — her first graduating class as principal of North Farmington High School.

Some 303 seniors received diplomas from the Farmington Hills school on June 13 at Ford Auditorium in Detroit. Also offering remarks was former principal Donald Cowan, who left his post at midyear to accept a promotion to the district's central office. Many of the graduates earned honors.

Seniors chose "Carpe Diem," or "Seize the Day," as their class motto and "This Is the Time to Remember" as their class song. Colors included black, white and turquoise and the class flower was a yellow rose.

North Farmington choirs, symphony band and orchestra played and sang selections in honor of the graduates, with choir direction from Catherine Bennett and hand and orchestra directed by Carl Gippert.

SENIOR OFFICERS included John Michael Webb, president; Andrea L. Wolff, vice president; Lisa Whitener, secretary; and Allison Kole, treasurer.

School board members Susan Renneis and Janice Rolnick presented diplomas. Board president Helen Prutow and Superintendent Mike Planagan also delivered remarks.



Beth Burg (left), Heidi Patanella (middle) and other graduates kick up their heels at North Farmington High's all-night party June 13. Parents of the graduates hosted the party.

Following the ceremony, many of the graduates attended the school's annual all-night party, hosted by senior parents. The theme for this year was "Around the World in Six Hours." Each student attending received a passport, and credit was given for visiting different countries represented at various games.

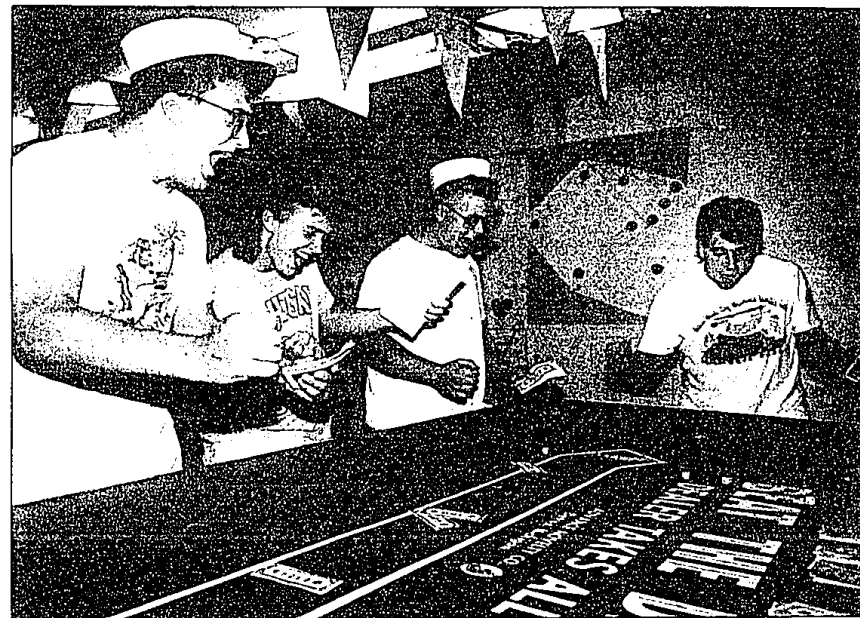
Students could use these credits

throughout the night to bid on various gifts auctioned off.

This is the 14th annual all-night party for the school. North Farmington was the first high school in the district to start the all-night party tradition, designed to offer students a drug- and alcohol-free party choice.



At North's all-night party, the mini grand prix caused a few bumps and bruises between friends Mike Smith (left) and Kirk Chivas.



North graduates Paul Anders (left), Bill Hall, John Skuratowicz and Marc Benedek were among those who tried luck at the casino table during the all-night party.



Amy Goodman (left) and Matt Hoffman pose for their mug shot in the mock jail at North's all-night party.

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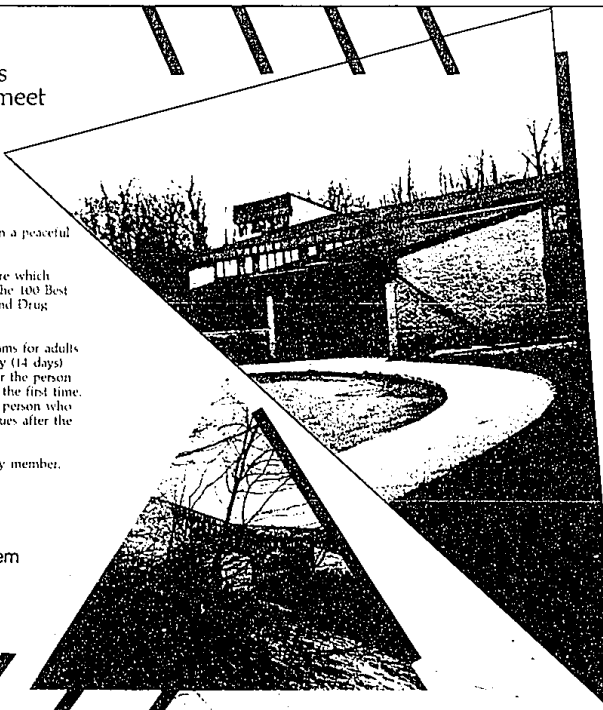
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