

## Boosters get ready for Kroger Day

The North Farmington High School Booster Club, an academic and athletic parent support group, announces its 10th annual "Kroger Day" 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 7, in Kroger Supermarket at 29555 Orchard Lake Road.

The major fund-raising activity for the Booster Club provides the majority of funds for the support of the programs of North Farmington High School. The club, composed of parents, provides annual grants to all of the departments in the school

to enable the purchase of such educational enhancements as computers and software, books, newspapers and periodicals, instructional video tapes, specialized athletic training equipment, extra-curricular tools such as "Quiz Bowl" trainers, band equipment and cameras.

Over the past 10 years the Booster Club has provided in excess of \$50,000 to the high school programs. At a time when state aid and other financial support has been reduced

the club enables the teachers at North Farmington to continue their educational programs.

The club is one of the few Booster Clubs which provides grants to both academic and athletic departments and is concerned with the well-being of all of the students in the school.

A portion of the proceeds of all sales at the Kroger store on "Kroger Day" is paid by Kroger to the Booster Club as part of Kroger's commitment to the education of the students.

During Kroger Day parents and students act as "bidders," prizes are awarded to the top shoppers, free gifts are given to shoppers, a raffle is drawn, the North Farmington High School Band and cheerleaders perform in the store and a Coke wagon provides hot dogs and beverages.

Students are brought from the school for half-hour service as bidders and the entire community gets involved.

## Nursing home choices told on video tape

"How to Choose a Nursing Home," a 20-minute video tape developed to help families confronted with mak-

ing that difficult decision, is now available at Farmington Branch Library and Botsford Hospital cour-

tesy of Dorvin Convalescent Center.

"How to Choose a Nursing Home" reviews the basic types of services offered by long-term care facilities and the various payment alternatives, including Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement. It is particularly informative for individuals or families who have had no experience in dealing with long-term care facilities.

The program provides information on a number of key factors which should be evaluated when making a nursing home decision: staff attitude and expertise, medical and therapy services offered, facility environment, cleanliness and safety, as well as other important criteria.

"You'll find that many people aren't aware of the principal factors in evaluating a nursing home be-

cause the nursing home decision is so strongly motivated by need," says administrator Richard Mapes. "We hope this program will help families have a better understanding of nursing homes and help them make a better decision when they are in a placement situation." The nursing center also has a copy of the video tape to loan to civic groups and interested families.

Health Care and Retirement Corporation, based in Toledo, Ohio, the parent company of Dorvin Convalescent Center and owner of 130 long-term care centers, developed the video taped program as a public service. The program is narrated by ABC sportscaster Chris Schenkel, and former Toledo news anchor, June Miller.

## new voices

KARL AND MARY ALLMAYER Bruce and Wilma Allmayer of Farmington Hills announce the birth of their daughter, Michelle Ann, born Aug. 24 in Huron Valley Hospital, Milford. The infant has an 18-month-old sister, Colleen.

Her grandparents are Harvey and Nancy Heitman of Livonia and grandchild.

DAVID AND JANET DORY of Farmington Hills announce the birth of their daughter, Morgan Alexandra, born Sept. 15 in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor. She was wel-

comed home by her sister Taylor, 2. The infant's grandparents are Thomas and Lorraine Boyne of Plymouth and Raymond and Betty Dory of Loudon, Tenn.

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## Dining in style

Chef Tom MacKinnon, who prepared the gourmet dinner, pours the champagne for newlyweds Ronald and Brenda Piskowski. The couple dined on a card table among unpacked boxes for the treat they won as the first residents to move into Greenpointe at Copper Creek condominiums in Farmington Hills. The bride is a senior payroll clerk for Beaumont Hospital and the groom is a northern physician there. MacKinnon owns MacKinnon's in Northville.

## Grievors helped cope around the holidays

"Coping with Grief Around the Holidays," a program led by McCabe Funeral Home Staff Grief Counselor Elaine S. Burton, will begin 7:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 12 in The Community Center, Farmington/Farmington Hills, 24705 Farmington Road.

Burton will lead an open discussion and provide suggestions to make handling traditional holiday

celebrations and seasonal stress easier to endure for those who have lost a loved one.

The McCabe Funeral Home-sponsored event is free and open to the public.

For questions, call Tracy White or Joe Godard, 851-3993 or McCabe Funeral Home, 553-0120.

## Nursery has openings

Mayfair Co-op Nursery Pre-School, at 30450 Farmington Road, has openings available for this Fall's 4-year old class which meets Monday, Wednesday and Friday after-

noons; and a non-co-op enrichment class called ESP which meets Tuesday and Thursday afternoons.

For information, call Sue Kendal, 489-5485 or the school, 626-2759.

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## Craft tables to rent

Tables are offered to rent by crafters who wish to join the craft sale that is scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 17, in First Church of God in

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