Volleyball player learns to let time do the healing

HERRE ARE NO cast, no crutches, no bandages on anyone recuperating from a closed head injury. There may be pain, nausea, no depth perception, an inability to concentrate, but nothing that would give a clue to a passer-by that anything was amiss. 'I was pushing myself, but my teammates thought I was glving up, said Jeanine Whittemore, who is on the mend now after her head was caggib toleween her elbow and the floor while she was diving for a vol-

leyball on the Hope College tearn.

After the mishap the only thing she was aware of was that she had big bump. Her trainer told her to go home and see him in the morning. There was an easy practice the next day, and the day after that she played in the next scheduled game.

"But I had no depth perception, couldn't concentrate and I was sick to my stomach. I credited it all to being anxious about classes and the next big game," she said.

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A SUBSEQUENT visit to a neurologist diagnosed the symptoms as closed head injury and she was told

"But I didn't listen. I was in my "But I didn't listen. I was in my senior year. There were too many things to do. I wanted to play volley-ball. One of my goals was to win the Most Valuable Player award. I was all pent up. I didn't have time to walt for time to heal.

"That was pretty dumb. Well, you live and learn."

WHITTEMORE'S accident hap-pened last September.

"My recovery time took a lot longer than it should have," the Farmington Hills resident said.
"I don't even remember much of what happened last semester. I only played half a season, and sat out the rest on the bench. And I'll be going to school for another full semester before I graduate.

"I'm gradually getting better. I'm driving now. I'm riding a stationary bike but that's all the exercise I get. I'm sort of my own doctor and do whatever my body tells me I can or can't do."

ALL DURING the-recuperation time the psychology major had put into practice a lot of the psychology she had learned to help in her recovery, she said.

"Sometime the nausea is back. But the page of the page of the page of the page of the page."

overall I have a lot more stamina, even if I'm not playing (volleyball)

"I was captain of the team and now I'm coaching. I don't do much demonstrating. I just tell them what to do."

The high point of the season was when she was named "Most Valu-able Player," a real surprise — "something I just didn't think would happen under the circumstances."



Guests stroll through the grounds of the St. Vincent & Sarah Fisher Center sampling the finest of food and wines from 54 select area

restaurants during "La Fete au Jardin." The annual event is scheduled this year for Sunday, June 2.

Children's Center gets ready for another La Fete au Jardin

Carillon Importers Ltd., WXY2-TV Channel 7, Huntington Banks of Michigan, Ameritech Publishing Inc., and Detroit Monthly are but a few of the corporations, not to mention the 54 local restaurants, that have pulled together this year to kick off "La Fete au Jardin" — The Garden Party.

This fund-raising event from 2-6 pm. Sunday, June 2 on the grounds of the St. Vinenti and Starth Fisher Center, is to benefit the abused and neglected children served by the center.

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from her home because of the negli-gent care of her parents. A history of alcohol and drug abuse prevented them from providing adequate care for their children. After 18 months in the Sarah Fisher Residential Treat-ment Program, Mary was able to move into one of the center's foster homes where she continues to live and receive outpatient therapy. The foster family is working on plans to adopt Mary and her sister.

THE CENTER, at 12 Mile and Inkster Road, together with Carillon Importers Ltd., New York company that distributes Absolut Vodka to the U.S., will play host to the fourth annual benefit

Participants will mingle under-

neath the colorful tents provided by Ameritech Publishing and Detroit Monthly and sample a variety of foods from 54 of the best restaurants in Detroit.

Guests will enjoy fine wines from around the world while listening to musical entertainment provided by the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and other fine groups.

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Huntington Banks of Michigan is extending an invitation to the public to send in donations to P.O. Box 5823, which will be matched dollar for dollar by the community minded bank. Promotional activities are being made possible by WXYZ-TV 7. For itchets call Jacki Kelsay, 562-7527 or Kathleen Sheridan, 433-2082.

Farmington artists are ready for their spring show and sale

eanine Whittemore admits her injury took a long while to heal ecause she didn't listen to advice from her doctor.

DANIEL LIPPITT/staff photographer

Farmington Artists Club is pre-paring for its annual spring show Wednesday through Saturday May 29 to June 1 in Nardin Park Method-ist Chruch on 11 Mile just west of Middlebelt.

Farmington Artists Club is one of the largest and finest organizations of lus kind in the Metro area and has 200 members. Many of the artists are award winning painters known both locally and nationally for their talents.

On display and up for sale is art in all.media. There is a budget section of unframed painted, and about 100 pieces of work in the prestigious juried gallery.

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Jurying is set for May 6. The juror is Karen Wydra, painter and teacher for Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association who just recently had a well received exhibition in the Rubiner Gallery.

The Farmington Area Arts Com-

mission continues to support area artists and will present the awards to the winners on opening night at 7 pm. May 29. The public is invited. Muriel Lee, chalrman of the show is keeping the winners a secret until the presentation.

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The Farmington Artists Club and Thursday, from 10 am. to 9 p.m. Thursday, and Friday, and Iron 10 am. to 10 pm. Saturday.

There is no admission charge.

Make-a-Wish party hosted for 8 by F&M

F&M Distributors hosted a pregame party for eight Michigan "Make a-Wish" boys and girls and their families with the Detroit Pistons prior to the Minnesota Timberwolves game. Among the guests of honor were Eric Meredith and Julie Mortenson, both of Farmington Hills.

F&M became the first corporate spensor of the Michigan Chapter of Make-A-Wish Foundation in 1987. To date, the F&M stores have granted 43 wishes. Since then F&M has established similar programs with anorthern Oho, Chicago, Baltimore and Washington, D.C., Make-a-Wish chapters. chapters.



Oh, say can you see

Sixty voices strong, Cubs from Pack 318 sang the National Anthem that opened another Detroit Piston game this spring. The event is becoming a tradition for the youngsters who attend Wooddale Elementary

School. This is the third time the first through fifth graders, whose pack master is Tony Munaco, have been invited to be guest performers.

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