

Young readers honored

Following are the Farmington-area youngsters who read at least 25 books in the Farmington Community Library's Summer Reading Program at the Farmington Hills Branch:

KENBROOK — Eric Karca, 1st grade; Chelsea Beggs, 6th grade; Audrey Bloomberg, 2nd grade; Meghan Black, 5th grade; Courtney Camp, 5th grade; and Karen Meloche, 5th grade.

HILLSIDE — Cristina Fong, 1st grade; Daniel Fong, Kindergarten; Alec MacDonald, 1st grade; Ian MacDonald, 1st grade; Peter Ochab, Kindergarten; Jennifer Fong, 4th grade; Elise Lladis, 2nd grade; and Neil Patel, 2nd grade.

HIGHMEADOW — Megan Spring, 2nd grade; and Nadia Vlachos, 4th grade.

FOREST — Alyssa Torby, 1st grade; Mike Volovar, Kindergarten; Michael Zeidman, 1st grade; Arash Ansari, 2nd grade; Dana Levin, 1st grade; Lauren Levin, 1st grade; and Jennifer Ziedman, 4th grade.

FAIRVIEW — Kristin Delaney, preschool; Meg Callahan, Kindergarten; Benjamin Harney, preschool; Kent Stevens, Kindergarten; Sarah Switaj, Kindergarten; Grace Triger, preschool; Mary Atallah, Kindergarten; and Jessica Harvey, Kindergarten.

EAGLE — Darryl Delaney, 1st grade; Paul T. Allen, Kindergarten; Heather Allison, 1st grade; Cathy Caulfield, Kindergarten; Ana Felicia Cordes, 1st grade; Rebecca Caulfield, 2nd grade; Kelly Hogan, 3rd grade; Veronica Kassab, 2nd grade; Lisa Palalan, 3rd grade; Elyse Sklar, 2nd grade; and Rachel Zuckman, 3rd grade.

BEECHVIEW — Neal Bhatt, Kindergarten; Anne Nicole, 1st grade; Ami Bhatt, 5th grade; Nicole Levy, 2nd grade; Kirsten Nicole, 3rd grade; and Matt Nicole, 4th grade.

WOODALE — Carolyn Bergtran, Kindergarten; Rajiv Bharelava, 1st grade; John Callahan, Kindergarten; Richard Hegstrom, 1st grade; Neha Chheda, 5th grade; Jodi Goodman, 5th grade; Adam Grimm, Kindergarten; Amanda Grimm, 2nd grade; Becky Sherman, 2nd grade; and John Szymanski, 1st grade.

WOODCREEK — Carolyn Fran-

gle, Kindergarten; Ayanne K. Carter, 3rd grade; Jon Karl, 2nd grade; Veronica Kring, 3rd grade; Jarret Kuo, 5th grade; Kelly Kuo, 2nd grade; Andy Lin, 1st grade; Amanda Link, 3rd grade; Suhma Lobisa, 3rd grade; Claire Morgan, 2nd grade; Sarah Morgan, 4th grade; and Megan Schmidt, 2nd grade.

LARKSHIRE — James Anderson, 1st grade; Daniel Clay, Kindergarten; Julie Bailey, 4th grade; Lisa Padala, 5th grade; Krishna Sadwal, 5th grade; Mandeep Sadwal, 4th grade; and Shirley Tom, 5th grade.



One of Dorothy Gala's favorite dolls is this reproduction bride doll, originally sculpted in the early 1900s by the Frenchman A. Marquet.

The bride wears a floor-length, taffeta dress with a train. The long tulle veil is decorated with pearls and flowers.



Dollmaker Dorothy Gala displays this 12-inch porcelain lace drape figurine at this year's Michigan State Fair. The cotton lace and net dress was dipped in porcelain and decorated with porcelain flowers before firing in the kiln.

Nichols is featured artist

Alice A. Nichols will be the featured artist at the Farmington Community Center September through November.

Her works will be hung throughout the center. They will include watercolors done in the last several years and some new oil paintings done over the past summer.

Nichols has just returned from her summer home on Walden Ridge in Pikeville, Tenn. She reactivated her workshops held there for artists this past spring.

Nichols is a regular exhibitor with the Farmington Artist Club and in other juried shows in the area. One of her subjects, a watercolor of Trillium, is in the traveling show of the Michigan Water Color Society until March 1992.

Another subject, an antique quilt and wildflowers posed on her cabin deck with the valley in the background, will be in the October Birmingham "Our Town" juried exhibit. She teaches classes in her home studio and parttime for Oakland Community College. In 1990-91 she held a series of open houses in her home studio and hopes to continue this activity in 1992.

"I am always happy to exhibit in the Farmington Community," she said. "The community has been my home since 1954 when I moved into the area and attended Farmington High School. The cities have been very responsive to the arts over many years."

All of Nichols' paintings on exhibit at the center are for sale. A price list is available at the desk.

Dollmaking is her hobby

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selecting material for a period or modern doll's outfit, then lay awake thinking about how to drape the fabric or accessorize a doll in progress.

A Victorian-era doll Gala recently finished wears pearls and a cameo pin, drawing bloomers, a bustle, corset and a long lace dress finished with French seams. A reproduction bride doll, originally sculpted by the Frenchman A. Marquet in the early 1900s, wears a floor-length, white taffeta dress with lace train. The full-length, tulle veil is accented with miniature pearls and flowers.

For Gala, dollmaking is more than a creative and satisfying hobby she happens to do well. The craft, which calls for a good share of concentration, patience and discipline, has helped the artist maintain peace of mind through a series of hardships, including the loss of a daughter and grandson.

"And which is Gala's favorite doll? 'The next one,' she says.

Dorothy Gala will teach beginning and advanced porcelain dollmaking through the Farmington Public School Adult and Community Education program beginning in October. Call 489-3333. To see Gala's dolls, visit "A Craftsman Marketplace," sponsored by the West Bloomfield Parks and Recreation Department at Marshbank Park, Hiller Road, north of Commerce Road, West Bloomfield, from noon to 6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 15.

Volunteers needed

One of every 50 babies born in Detroit dies before the infant's first birthday.

The Michigan Catholic Health Systems Infant Mortality Project offers volunteers an opportunity to help make a change in these young lives with two programs: Parent-Infant Partners and Read Write Now.

Both programs offer free training sessions, beginning with an orientation class Tuesday, Oct. 1.

Training sessions will be 6-9 p.m. eight consecutive Tuesdays in Calista Conference Room A at Providence Hospital, 16001 W. Nine Mile (just west of Greenfield Road), Southfield.

VOLUNTEERS WHO wish to participate in the Parent-Infant Partners program will receive 24 hours of training to become a friend and a resource to expectant parents, providing information and guidance from pregnancy and delivery through the baby's first year.

The Read Write Now program offers individualized training to volunteers who are asked to commit one hour a week to help individuals learn to read.

Space is limited to 30 people and pre-registration for the classes is required by Sept. 23. To register or to obtain information, call 688-8420.

Club plans luncheon

The public is invited to the Women of North Farmington's Wine and Welcome Luncheon at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 17, at the Farmington Community Center on Farmington Road.

Toledo artist Karen Cutler, owner of K.C. Creations, will demonstrate her method of making jewelry using unusual tools.

The luncheon marks the 34th year for the club. Price is \$15. Reservations may be made by calling Beth Rice, 363-2737. The club will also present the upcoming program for the year.

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