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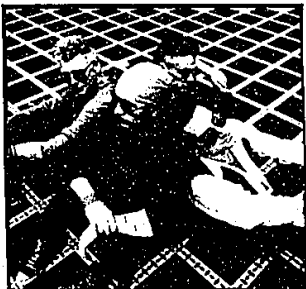
OPINION

School's In! Got those back-to-school jitters? Even parents get them, says educator James "Doc" Doyle. Hints for middle, high school and college-age students are on the Points of View page/8A

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Hitting singles: While much of the talk about U2 centers on the group's albums and mega tours one overlooked aspect of the quartet's career has been its B-singles releases. /4B

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Tourney final: Farmington played for the championship of the Troy Tournament in girls basketball Thursday night. /2C

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Cops ask tips on student betting



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Farmington Hills police are concerned that parents and students have not called with information about gambling among high school students. "I really found it surprising that we received no calls," police Chief William

Dwyer said. "We're not looking to prosecute the bettors — the students. And we are not holding the parents responsible like we do with hosting house parties. I'm looking for parents and students who have information."

Following the arrest of two men last week on extortion charges in connection with gambling among students from

North Farmington High School, police asked parents or students to call with more information to determine how widespread gambling is in North Farmington as well as other schools.

"There is no way this could be confined to North Farmington High School," Dwyer said. "These guys (who were arrested) weren't the kingpins."

Keep in touch

In the aftermath of all the publicity — particularly on television — school officials and community leaders are

asking parents to keep in better touch with their children.

In fact, Dwyer is wondering if parents figure that now two men have been arrested, "it's water under the bridge and let it flow."

But officials don't think the issue should die — despite the sometimes annoying continuous media blitz for the sake of students.

"I think the real key here is knowing where your children are after school. We know where they are during the day. It's

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Additional Heritage: A proud Dan Potter, director of special services for Farmington Hills, leans out the window of the new portion of the Day Camp Building in Heritage Park.

No mystery: It's a day camp building

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If you've ever wondered what is being built not far from the Spicer House or the pond in Heritage Park, it's a day camp.

"It's rustic. It's meant to be that way," said Dan Potter, Farmington Hills special services director.

The day camp building includes the old 1,500 square-foot sheep barn from the late Eleanor Spicer days, as well as an additional 2,000 square feet of new construction all at a cost of \$250,000.

That includes \$187,500 from a state Department of Natural Resources grant and \$62,000 matching money

from the city's parks and recreation millage fund.

"The sheep barn is being preserved and renovated," Potter said. Restoration includes the outside, improved electricity, a new roof, and work on the doors. The sheep barn is what the parks and recreation department has been using for the popular six-year-old

day camp.

"We're not heating this building, consequently this will be for seasonal use," Potter said.

The newer and larger portion of the day camp building, which is expected to be completed by mid-September,

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Hillel teachers walk

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Teachers at Hillel Day School in Farmington Hills walked the picket lines last week, striking over what they said was an unfair wage offer by that school's board.

At press time Thursday, it appeared the union and school were far from reaching a settlement.

There were no further plans to negotiate after the two sides met with a federal mediator on Wednesday night, said school board president Martin Gene. News sources said Thursday that the teachers' union had rejected a proposed settlement.

"We thought we had a tentative agreement," he said. "Unfortunately, that wasn't the case."

"There are no further plans to talk at this time," The board has requested arbitration.

Fifty-five teachers at the private Jewish school on Middlebelt Road are represented by the Hillel Teachers Association, an affiliate of the state and national Federation of Teachers union. A total of 650 students in grades kindergarten through eighth grade were to have started classes on Tuesday, when the teachers went on strike. Their two-year contract had recently expired.

Gene would not comment on whether the school doors would remain closed during the teachers' strike. He said the board is attempting to get a three-year contract approved and agreed that wages are the major stumbling block.

Union officials released a statement through their president Daphna Feldman, who could not be reached for further comment. "Our role is to educate children, not protest in the streets,"

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Teachers turned pickets: Striking teachers Bella Levkovich (left, hand over face) and Shoshana Glodschlag discuss job concerns while walking a picket line at Hillel Day School in Farmington Hills.

Knowing what to do

Dawn Simmons, a Farmington Hills resident and pediatric nurse technician at Detroit's Henry Ford Hospital, was taking her morning break on what she thought was a typical Monday morning recently.

Suddenly, a white Jeep Cherokee came roaring into the parking lot, its horn blaring. As she approached the car, she feared the worst — a gunshot wound. Instead, she found a woman about to give birth.

The baby was on the way, there was no time to wait for a doctor and stretcher. Simmons, a Wayne State University nursing student, put her education to work.

"Thank heaven I'd had my OB (obstetrics) rotation already," said Simmons, who delivered the baby, coaching the mother through the birth. "I was calm

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when it happened, but I was a mess afterward."

The baby, Brenden Jacqueline, checked in at 6 pounds, 14 ounces and 18 1/2 inches. At last report, she and her mother were doing fine at Henry Ford. Simmons, 22, is a 1988 graduate of Harrison High School. She will receive her nursing degree from WSU in December.

They're recognized!

The city of Farmington Hills says: Hats off to seven Farmington Hills youths, age 11-15, for their commitment in serving as volunteers in various summer recreation programs offered to the community.

They are Marcel Anstading, Christopher Costello, Denise Lauboff, Miranda Leibowitz, Chris McVittie,

Angie Newman and Faith Sluffer. They served in day camps, the Nature's Way Camp, Safety Town and Summer Fun centers.

Anyone interested in volunteering for the programs should call the Farmington Hills Recreation Division at 473-9570.

Memory Lane

From the Sept. 4, 1952, Farmington Enterprise:

An explosion and fire put Russell Cowan out of his St. Francis Street home and into Redford Receiving Hospital with serious burns. According to police, the explosion probably happened when the flame from the water heater ignited natural gas in the house, which was completely destroyed. Cowan was blown clear of the structure. Farmington Township firefighters were unable to open a nearby hydrant.