

## In fashion



Lots to wear: Christy Stockton of Farmington is one of the young models showing the latest 1992 Kids Klox school fashions at a special fashion show at The Ground Round Restaurant in Farmington Hills. Bingo the clown was on hand, giving away balloons and mingling with the guests.

# Fun classes

## Community ed: something for all

Discover a better job, a brighter future, or enrich your life with a class in something fun.

Farmington's Community Education Department is ready to begin fall with classes to fit everyone's needs and schedules.

In addition to offering high school diplomas, improving job skills or learning to read, Farmington Community Education also offers a wide range of enrichment classes, such as fitness, crafts, self-improvement and career enhancement. Most are held at the Farmington Community School, 304154 Shawanese at the corner of Tuck in Farmington Hills. Call 489-3333 for information about any class or program or to receive a brochure.

Classes begin in late September. Once again, the Saturday Adult Activities Center at Farmington High School will be offered. The media center will be open to all district residents starting on Sept. 12, with electronic reference sources and computer work stations. Maps for an indoor walking course are available along with a hospitality room with coffee and tea.

People 60 and older are eligible

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for one free class registration except in limited-enrollment classes. Senior adult cards are available at the Community School office.

Following is a sampling of classes from the fall brochure:

• WordPerfect 5.1 Intermediate — Assumes basic knowledge of WordPerfect program. Graphics, text columns, tables, outlines, merging and macros will be covered.

• One computer per student.

• Pagemaker — A hands-on introductory course in desktop publishing using Macintosh computer and Pagemaker program.

• Entertaining with Etiquette and Style — Discussion topics include: entertaining manners, your personal style, going to and giving a party, invitations, party perfect plans and special occasions.

each student. Self-esteem also discussed.

• Senior "Easy Does It" Exercise — Slow warm-ups with a range-of-motion movements. Ease on into a slightly more vigorous cardiovascular workout. Stretches and cool down. Relaxation in chair.

• "The ABCs of Healthy Aging" (A lecture series for older adults) — Each of the five sessions features as presentation by a health professional from Botsford General Hospital, followed by a time for questions. Included in the series are segments on: how to talk to your doctor; foot care for older adults; colds, viruses, sinus infections, sore throats; seeing well as you grow older, and hearing loss in older adults.

• Prenatal Exercise — Follows

the guidelines of the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology. Class focuses on body awareness, methods to dispel discomfort and fatigue and upper body strengthening. A great opportunity to meet new mothers.

• Postnatal Exercise — Designed for mom and newborn. Class concentrates on abdominal exercises and toning all large muscle groups. The last 10 minutes of class devoted to infant stimulation activities.

• Night Club Dancing for Singles and Couples — Learn the Hustle, Latin Hustle, Spanish Hustle, and Sweetheart Hustle and other popular 40 dances.

• Family Meetings Made Easy — Learn to guide your family in shared decision making, mutual problem solving and conflict resolution.

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## Teachers from page 1A

Feldman said. "However, we stand firm in our belief that we must achieve fair and equitable salary and benefits."

The union seeks a three-year agreement with an eight percent raise in the first year, and six percent raises in each consecutive year. The average teacher at Hiller earns \$27,000 per year, according to the

union statement.

The school's board had offered a three-year pact with four percent raises each year, Feldman said. Teachers had accepted "less than fair offers throughout the years and can no longer afford to fall behind salaries and benefits which are the norm in the profession," she added.

## Building from page 1A

features public bathrooms for park users, as well as a large room with a movable partition.

"That will give us two year-round day camp rooms that are heated. We can add two more rooms at a future time," Potter said.

Rumors have abounded that the new day camp building may one day become park and recreation offices. Not true, says City Manager William Costick.

"Absolutely not. I can say unequivocally it's not the plan. It's a day camp building."

Activities for the day camp, which caters to approximately 510 children, will be held in and near the building. But Potter said the building will be offered for scout

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meetings, and other park-related organizations. Special events and meetings for youth groups also could be held in the new building.

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## Betting from page 1A

closely monitoring your children," said Debbie Clarke, North Farmington High School principal.

Betty Nicolay, founder of Farmington Families in Action and co-chairwoman of the newly formed Advocates for Excellence in Education, puts much of the burden on parents.

It is up to parents to know where their children are and how much money they have and are spending. That's not to mention parents' behavior, she said.

"Our attitudes as adults have a great deal to do with how a child performs," said Nicolay, also a member of the Farmington Hills Police Department's Crime Prevention Advisory Committee.

"It's not so much educating the students. It's educating the parents."

Dwyer has similar opinions. "Parents have to understand that gambling has the potential of leading to loan sharking. I am concerned. And I think it's extremely

rare you have kids saying, 'I didn't know there was anything wrong with betting on professional games.'"

'Isolated incident'

North Farmington booster club president David Haron called the situation an "isolated incident."

"I just think it's kids — probably mostly boys — emulating their parents," he said. "It certainly isn't the whole school."

Haron said he also was concerned about what he called excessive media coverage and the negative "portrayal" it has given North Farmington.

"Our area is well off, but there's a lot of people working very hard," he added. "A lot of kids here take the \$5-an-hour jobs."

The crime advisory committee became aware of gambling among North Farmington students a year ago when "a parent came to us with information that they were con-

cerned about gambling," Nicolay said. "We made it known there was a concern to both the police department and the schools."

Clarke said that while she knows students are involved in gambling, she does not believe it is a large number of students.

When she discovered that students were playing cards after school, parents were called.

"It's really not my jurisdiction. I'm not sticking my head in the sand. I am concerned. By and large the kids are good. I'm concerned that kids make bad decisions with where they spend their money," Clarke said.

Card games

Haron said he also has heard of the out-of-school card games.

"My understanding . . . is that there may have been some card games outside (school) — but nobody's shooting craps in the bathroom," he said. "It's unfortunate,

but not uncommon."

Like Dwyer, Nicolay believes gambling among students is not limited to North Farmington High School. Police informed their counterparts in Oakland County communities, as well as Macomb and Wayne counties of the gambling and the arrests.

"We are trying to determine just how extensive this is. This whole thing was instigated by adults, not the students," said police Inspector Tom Godwin.

One of the two men who face extortion charges worked in a West Bloomfield deli where a North Farmington student also worked. That's how the gambling was introduced, Godwin said.

Nicolay links gambling with vices like drinking and drugs.

"One thing leads to another," she said. "It's an addiction. The earlier you start with gambling, the longer you have a life to do it and a bigger chance of becoming addicted."

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