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■ SCHOLARSHIP CRUISE

Farmington High student Devon Woodruff has been awarded a \$1,000 scholarship by the Michigan Educational Employees Mutual Insurance Company's The Future of Education Foundation, which recognizes top high school students in Michigan whose parents are in the field of education. Her mother, Patricia Neil, is a teacher at Beechview Elementary. She was one of 17 recipients out of 1,000 applicants statewide. Woodruff is first in her class at Farmington High. She was team captain in tennis and pom-pom, and was a member of the track team. She was nominated by the school staff to attend the Summer Institute for Arts and Sciences Camp. She was also nominated by counselors to represent the school at Girls State. She served on the Student Council as secretary and senator and was in the National Honor Society as vice-president and executive board member. Woodruff will study engineering

■ WRITE HANDED

Power Middle School students Amanda Weston and Stephanie Batkie are both winners in the Scholastic Writing Awards. Weston was a gold award winner in poetry, which means she was in the top 10 out of 4,000 entries. She will receive \$100 and a certificate, and she has been invited to Washington, D.C. to read her poem at the Library of Congress June 17. Batkie was a silver winner in poetry. She will receive a certificate and is invited to attend the June 17 ceremony. Both are students of teacher Martie Ports.

■ UNION DOLLARS

Farmington High student Jennifer Sloane, Harrison High's Jodie Barringer, and North Farmington's Darcie Lehmann have been awarded one-year scholarships by the Farmington Education Association, which represents the public school teachers in the Farmington Public Schools. Each student was awarded \$1,200. Money for the scholarships came through voluntary contributions made by teachers and other employees in the district.

■ CAREER MOVE

North Farmington High's quiz

at the University of Michigan in the fall.



Scholar smile: Dan Collins (left), guidance counselor; Frank E. Kelley, executive vice president of the MEEM-IC Foundation for the Future of Education; and James Myers, Farmington High principal, congratulate Farmington High senior Devon Woodruff on her MEEM-IC scholarship.

bowl team of Amanda Markus, Lani Goldman, Brad Schneider and Peter Cunniffe finished second in DECA's National Career Development conference in St. Louis. It marked the first time in nine years the school had a national finalist at the annual event. The quiz bowl team avenged a loss to West Bloomfield in the state competition, knocking the school off in the second round in St. Louis. Other North students

who qualified for the national competition included: Beth Ladd, Jeff Light, Josh Grimes, Jason Lofton, Benji Kaplan, Jeremy Spoon, Matt Droz, Erik Siersma, and Steven Flink. DECA advisers Cathy Cunningham and Lloyd Wepman traveled with the students to St. Louis. DECA is an association of marketing students which provides students in grades 9-12 the opportunity to put their marketing knowledge to the test.

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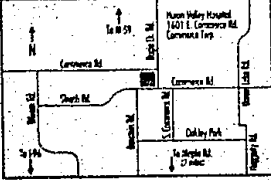
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