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Focus: HOPE also offers a school-to-work transition program, **FAST TRACK**, and an eight-month program, **Machinist Training Institute**.

Focus:HOPE has also developed Project Trust, a race relations training program for desegregated schools and their communities.

Cunningham is a native of Detroit and attended St. Theresa and St. Mary's of Redford grade schools. He studied for the priesthood at Sacred Heart Seminary and St. John's Provincial Seminary. He was ordained in 1955.

Cunningham was parish priest for five years and was founding member of the Archbishop's Commission on Human Relations.



Smiling tellers: Students (from left) Jaclyn Silver, Jennifer Cox, Ruth Ilmer and Rachel Delmotte work as tellers behind a window made by other students.

### Training

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dents are working in the marketing department. They developed a jingle and made signs and had prize giveaways.

After the credit union closes, a handful of students furiously count dollar bills and tap their calculators.

Mathematical benefits are obvious, but those working at the credit union also get an idea of what will be expected of them in the job world, Mashinske said.

Student members learn about saving money. Credit union employees are also learning about how students work, which Mashinske said is exemplary.

"It's been fun working with the kids," said Mashinske, who is assisted by Val Montello.

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## Reports of chicken pox hardly an outbreak

BY LARRY O'CONNOR  
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Four reported cases of chicken pox at a Farmington elementary school has officials thinking more in terms of rabbits — as in they could multiply.

Longacre Elementary had four pupils out Friday with the common childhood disease from which a person can contract lesions. Incubation period for the highly contagious ailment is two to three weeks, medical experts say.

"Chicken pox does tend to spread," Principal Bill Smith said. "If you have one case and inevitably get two or three more. I don't know if (four cases) is unusual."

"My feeling is that would rule out what is term as an outbreak. But we don't know what we'll see (this) week."

Cases appear to be isolated. A spokesperson said there has not been a large number — or any cases — of chicken pox reported at district offices.

Anyone who has not had chicken pox before is at risk, said Botsford Hospital physician Dr. Gerald Blackburn. Chicken pox is spread through the air.

"It's very common in the wintertime because there is more confinement," Blackburn said. Most adults have had chicken pox or been infected but never showed the typical effects. Adult cases can be more severe than the childhood variety.

A new chicken pox vaccine is out, which means people who have never had the disease can be immunized.

### Arthritis Today

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The inside part of the thigh is spared because the nerves that support this area start from a completely different site.

In reality, the pain you feel if you have sciatica may not be so clear cut, and may come close to the features of arthritis.

Doctors are trained to differentiate between sciatica and arthritis of the hip, back, knee and ankle. The history and nature of your discomfort help, as does an examination of the state of your joints and their mobility. Finally the doctor will ask you to outline on the leg the pattern and radiation of your discomfort.

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## County hires summer help

Oakland County officials are encouraging anyone interested in summer employment to contact them as soon as possible.

County Commissioner Donn Wolf, whose district includes Farmington and part of Farmington Hills, said more than 500 summer job opportunities will be available through the county's Parks and Recreation Department.

Jobs are open to college students, senior citizens and high school students 16 or older.

Experience is not required for most positions. Jobs include youth program leaders, parks and golf course attendants, cashiers, laborers, lawn maintenance people, swimming instructors and certified lifeguards. Salaries range from \$5.75 to \$8.50 an hour and work schedules are usually from 6 a.m. to 2 p.m.

"This is an opportunity for good steady outdoor summer employment at our parks and golf courses for both seniors and students throughout the county," Wolf said. "Glen Oaks Golf Club is the closest to the Farmington area and the department tries to place people as close to their homes as possible. You can indicate your preferred location when you apply."

For information, call Oakland County Parks and Recreation at 1-810-858-0906. Applications are also available at the Farmington and Farmington Hills city employment offices.

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