

## Gilda's Club open house set Thursday

Hundreds of special friends of Gilda's Club, metro Detroit, including founding members and board members, will gather at 3517 Rochester Road in Royal Oak on Thursday, Nov. 14 for a pre-renovation tour of the recently purchased facility.

The open house from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. will give supporters an opportunity to see the proposed plans for the free, non profit, non residential social and emotional support community that will serve people with all types of cancer, as well as their family and friends.

Two presentations, at 5 and 7 p.m., will acquaint guests with room sponsorship opportunities at Gilda's Club. There will also be a unique opportunity to sponsor the signature red front door of Gilda's Club at a live auction at 6:30 p.m.

On Friday, Nov. 15, the facility will be open to the public from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for pre-renovation tours. Following renovations, Gilda's Club expects to open for programs by mid-summer 1997. For more information, call 851-6557.

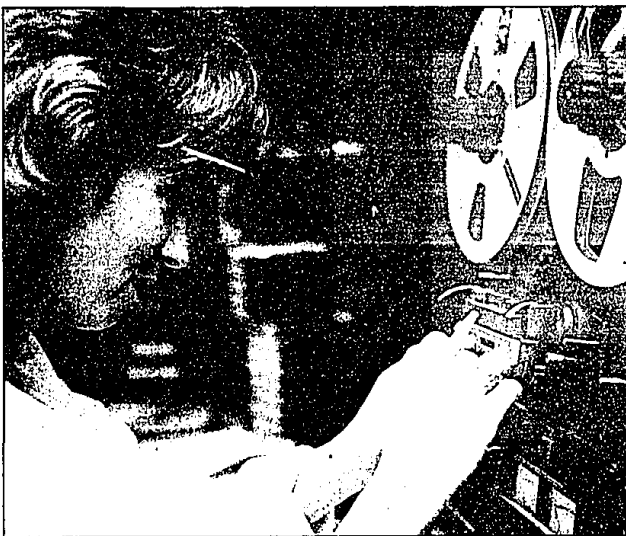
## Join mall walkers

As cooler weather forces many exercise enthusiasts indoors, the Livonia Mall Walker's Club welcomes striders to log their laps inside the climate controlled comfort of the shopping center.

The club, sponsored by the mall and Botsford Hospital, signed up nearly 300 members in September. The walkers received T-shirts, health screenings, mileage logs and prize incentives for hard work and dedication to walking.

"Don't let the cold weather keep you from getting all important regular physical activity," said Shel Levine, MS, clinical exercise physiologist at Botsford. "Walking inside offers all the health benefits of walking outside and helps you to avoid over-exposure to the winter elements as well."

The mall is open daily.



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Part of the job: WWW-Country (106.7FM) disc jockey, Karen Dalessandro, splices out audio to condense a spot. She is the afternoon drive time host from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. weekdays.

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rockin' like Bob Seger.

"The challenge of radio is not if you like the music, the challenge is to sell that music."

After a few weeks of playing country, Dalessandro caught herself singing to the tunes.

"My genre is complete now," she added. "My favorite country artists are Wynonna, Mary Chapin Carpenter, and Travis Tritt. I've grown to like this music a great deal."

## Group offers child protection tips

More than 800,000 children in the United States were reported missing last year. As a public service, the IOF Foresters is offering a free brochure on ways you can protect your child.

To receive a free brochure, call 1-800-922-4-IOF and ask for "10

After two years at the station dubbed "young country," Dalessandro was approached by the local king of country music stations, W4. November 6 marks her first year anniversary there.

"It's always a challenge if you make it one. I've been given the opportunity to stretch my wings. Country has the most loyal fans to its music artists. Country fans are very warm."

Child Protection Tips."

To help keep your child safe, IOF Foresters suggests the following:

Never display your child's name on his clothing. Someone could approach your child and use the name to make him feel

more secure. Have your child memorize her full name, address, your place of work and telephone numbers. Teach your child how to use the telephone.

"I hate to say I've done it all because it's always a challenge," she said. "The object is to continue to grow."

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IOF is a fraternal benefit society of more than a million.

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values such as respect, responsibility, caring, trustworthiness, justice, fairness, civic virtue and citizenship. These are laudable values. Though it does not require action by the state board of education, there is nothing objectionable to schools specifically articulating the values that should be emphasized during the school day and throughout the curriculum.

However, recent statements by Clark Durant in numerous media reports reveal his true agenda. Urging the use of Bible studies to promote character is only the most recent example of his desire to use the public schools as a vehicle for religious education. He has repeatedly used his position as president of the Michigan Board of Education as a bully pulpit to insert religion into the public schools. The current policy's preamble, like the board's mission statement, is filled with language resonating with his religious ideology. It is not appropriate. The public schools are not the proper venue for religious instruction. Such instruction belongs in the home, church, mosque and synagogue.

Durant's schemes to use public schools for his sectarian agenda is a violation of the Constitution which he has sworn to uphold. The principle of separation of church and state, first

articulated by Thomas Jefferson and embedded in Constitutional jurisprudence, has protected religion from the taint of politics and allowed it to thrive in American culture. Disregard of these revered American values, and the law, would teach the wrong values to our youth. A good lesson in American history and our legal tenets would serve Michigan students better than Durant's sectarian pursuits.

As a religious leader and a citizen committed to ensuring the continuing viability of quality public education, I oppose any action by the state board of education which would promote Bible studies in schools or otherwise undermine the strict separation of church and state.

This principle is the hallmark of American democracy, allowing religion to flourish without the threat of coercion or intrusion by government. I would urge the state board of education to preserve this precious heritage in Michigan and turn its attention to the pressing matters facing public schools.

(Rabbi Feldman is the assistant director for domestic concerns of the Jewish Community Council of Metropolitan Detroit, an umbrella organization of over 200 religious, social, fraternal, and community groups which represent the local Jewish community.)

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Farmington Hills is among the

locations where the classes will be offered. Members will have the option of taking morning or evening exercise classes during the week or on the weekend.

"We hope to expand the number of classes available to our members as interest grows," added Mark.

The WW Group, headquartered in Farmington Hills, is the largest franchise of Weight Watchers International, the leading authority on weight loss. The company employs over 3,000 successful Weight Watchers members in several states.

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