

**Happy 75th:** "Uncle Jack" Curd (above) looks at a Jimmy Doolittle display during the recent 75th Anniversary Celebration of American Legion Walker-Groves Post 346. At right, three World War II veterans peruse Desert Storm trading cards.



Legion celebration

CAMPUS PIPELINE

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**STUDENT SERVICE**  
Netina Anding of Farmington Hills will be inducted with the 1997-98 University of Detroit Mercy Student Service Award. These awards are presented annually by the UDM Alumni Association to recognize exceptionally active students whose services to the university has enhanced the quality of life for students.

**NEW GREEN**  
Evan Ellis of Farmington Hills has been elected to the Phi Beta Kappa academic honorary society at The Johns Hopkins University. Evan is the son of Jerry and Mary Ellis of Farmington Hills.

**EARNING A SPOT**  
The following Farmington Hills residents earned a place on the Dean's List at Kalamazoo College for the 1998 winter quarter: Emily Ebenhoe, Andy Kawel and Jeffrey Marinucci.

**ROCKIN' DEAN'S**  
Sarah Sloan, daughter of Elizabeth and Joel Sloan of Farmington Hills, earned a spot on the Dean's List at Simon's Rock College of Bard in Great Barrington, Mass.

**ON THE LIST**  
Seth Lacy of Farmington Hills was

named to the Cedarville College Dean's List for the fall 1997 term. He is a freshman majoring in engineering.

**SVSU GRADS**  
Mark McCubbin (cum laude) of Farmington and Jennifer Hiller (magna cum laude) of Farmington Hills, graduated from Saginaw Valley State University in December 1997.

**HIGH ACHIEVER**  
Jason Szepeaniak of Farmington was honored by the University of Detroit Mercy on March 29 at the Annual Honors Convocation for scholastic achievement and community service.

**DAYTON DEAN'S**  
The following Farmington/Farmington Hills residents have been named to the Dean's List for the fall 1997 semester at the University of Dayton: Kelly Beyer, Sarah Karl, Sarah Donnellon, Kristen Seed and Kimberly Rodak.

**TOPS AT HOPKINS**  
Robert Egbers of Farmington Hills was named to the Dean's List for the fall semester at The Johns Hopkins University in Maryland.

**ALL A'S**  
Nicholas Giusti and Jennine Kowalsky of Farmington were named to the President's List for the winter quarter 1998 at Baker College in Auburn Hills. To qualify for the President's List, a student must achieve a grade point average of 4.0, or all A's.

Healthy fare earns gold for eateries



**Gold Plate Restaurants**  
The Oakland Heart Health Coalition's fourth annual Honor Roll of GOLD Plate Restaurants has listed the following Farmington/Farmington Hills eateries to the GOLD Plate Honor Roll, for offering healthier options on their menu: House of Ing, Mayberry's Family Restaurant, Page's Food & Spirits, The Pasta Stop, Silverman's Restaurant and Sunrise Cafe.

**Hypnotherapist becomes member**  
The International Medical and Dental Hypnotherapy Association has accepted Marian Schulte, L.P.N., C.Ht., as a member of the association. She also holds a specialty certification in hypnosis as a pain management therapist. Her practice is at 29906 Orchard Lake Road, north of 13 Mile in Farmington Hills.

**Calsonic celebrates 10**  
Calsonic North America is embarking on the 10th anniversary of its product engineering organization, which will occur on May 18. The Farmington Hills firm is an automotive parts supplier.

Gateway

Center plan getting down to the details

They're down to settling the details of The Gateway Center to be built at the corner of 14 Mile and Orchard Lake Road, near the border of Farmington Hills.

On Tuesday, the project developers received site plan approval from the West Bloomfield wetlands board and the planning commission. Next stops are the zoning board of appeals and the township board for final approval.

"In general we don't have any problems," said Robert Schmier, of Schmier and Feuring Properties, the development company. Larry Brown, planning commissioner, said the company has been cooperative in agreeing with all the stipulations placed on the construction.

The Gateway Center will take up the majority of a 54-acre site, the largest undeveloped piece of property left in the township.

About two-thirds of the area along Orchard Lake and 14 Mile will be taken up by the Gateway Center, a collection of stores, two restaurants and a bank. The remaining portion, at the western side, will be used for multi-family residences.

The western retail building will cover 167,000 square feet and provide space for five stores. The northern retail building will cover 99,875 square feet and include space for three retailers.

At this point in the approval process, the focus is on design details. "There are a number of details that will make the plan more complete," said Tom Bird, township planning manager. These include:

■ The rear of the retail buildings will be have a finished brick facade and decorative features, such as cornices, where they are visible from adjoining property. The back areas also will be screened to shield delivery trucks and dumpsters. Similar screening also will be installed at the two restaurants.

■ "Shoobox"-style lights will

be used on the back of the buildings to prevent them from glaring into the neighborhoods.

■ Sidewalks will be installed along the entrances into the site.

■ The most northerly access road off of Orchard Lake will continue westerly through the site where it eventually will link to the residential site. However, a gate will be installed to prevent traffic from cutting through the residential area.

■ The site will be extensively landscaped.

■ A large pond and wetland will be a prominent feature at the corner of Orchard Lake and 14 Mile. Wetlands also will be preserved at the north end of the site and at the west side where the retail building about the residential property.

Still to be determined is the signage. The developer is requesting a zoning variance to allow three signs of 800 square feet each. Zoning allows two signs of 500 square feet each.

"We understand the signs are in excess of zoning," Schmier said. "But having a sign panel visible from the road is important (to the tenants)," he said. The tenants have not been identified yet.

Plans for the residential area have not been drawn up yet, Schmier said, but are expected in the next few months.

Once final approvals are received from the township, construction could begin by late summer and the center could be open by December 1999.

South of the 14 Mile Road border between West Bloomfield and Farmington Hills, developers had proposed a combination of retail and housing in Farmington Hills.

That proposal - on the site of the Kmart store on Orchard Lake Road - hasn't progressed, after Farmington Hills officials nixed the idea of using tax money to supplement the development.

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