

Knollenberg secures federal funds for local schools

U.S. Representative Joe Knollenberg (R-Bloomfield Hills) announced today that he has secured federal funding for projects at Schoolcraft College in Livonia (\$1 million), William Tyndale College in Farmington Hills (\$850,000), and Madonna University in Livonia (\$175,000).
 The funding, which totals \$2.025 million, was included at Knollenberg's request in the Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Appropriations bill that the House passed

today by a vote of 393 to 30. Knollenberg is a senior member of the Appropriations Committee that writes the bill.
 "I am pleased that Schoolcraft College, William Tyndale College, and Madonna University will receive these much needed federal funds," said Knollenberg. "These colleges make tremendous contributions to our region and the country, and this federal funding will assist them as they continue to fulfill their educational mission."

Schoolcraft College in Livonia will receive a federal grant of \$1 million for its VistaTech Center, which will provide a new venue for an expanded Culinary Arts Department and Information Technology (IT) Center where businesses can access information, training, and resources. The federal funding will support program development and technology equipment to provide extensive connectivity to the Internet.
 The IT Center will accommodate more than 260 computers for student

use and allow for full teleconferencing and video capabilities.
 William Tyndale College in Farmington Hills will receive \$850,000 in federal funds for the further development of its Interactive Learning Center for the 21st Century.
 Knollenberg secured \$461,000 for the Center last year. The purpose of the learning center is to develop a hub of information systems and learning for students that will serve the entire Metro Detroit region. The Center will

utilize computers, online data bases, distance learning technologies, the Internet, intranet, video, auditor and tactile instructional devices.
 Madonna University in Livonia will receive a federal grant of \$175,000 to strengthen its technology capacity as it undergoes a major renovation project on its Livonia campus. The federal funding will be used for the wiring, cabling, and mechanical adaptation needed to complete the renovation.

Optimists seek essays

The Farmington/Farmington Hills Breakfast Optimist Club is currently sponsoring an essay contest entitled *My Place in a Changing World*.
 All high school sophomores, juniors and seniors are eligible to participate according to Mary Jane Phillips, club chairperson for the event. The local club will select a first, second and third place winner in its contest.
 The first place entry will be automatically forwarded to the district competition, where it will be judged against other club winning entries from surrounding areas. The district winner will receive a plaque and a \$650 college scholarship, and have their entry forwarded to the International level competition. Winners from the International level will receive:
 ■ 1st place: plaque, trip to convention for the winner and parents, \$5,000 college scholarship
 ■ 2nd place: plaque, \$3,000 college scholarship
 ■ 3rd place: plaque, \$2,000 college scholarship
 All essays must be original work and submitted by Jan. 31 to the local Optimist Club. For further information contact Mary Jane Phillips, Essay Contest Chairperson, at (248) 442-1671.

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Find food, fun at parties for youths

Events and Entertainment, 24166 Haggerty Road in Farmington Hills, is hosting parties for youths in the fifth through eighth grades.
 The first is a pre-New Year's Eve Party. The cost is \$15. The party runs from 7-11 p.m. and includes food and fun. Reservations are requested. Call (248) 888-3835.
 E&E is also hosting Friday night parties for students in the fifth through eighth grades every other week. The first one begins Jan. 11. Call E&E for details.

OBITUARIES

ANTHONY DUREIKO
 Services for Anthony Dureiko, 82, of Farmington Hills, were held Dec. 24 at Holy Trinity Orthodox Church in Detroit with the Rev. Lev Kopistansky officiating. Burial took place at Glen Edon Memorial Park in Livonia.
 Mr. Dureiko was born Nov. 9, 1919 in Cleveland, Ohio and died Dec. 21, 2001, at Botsford Hospital in Farmington Hills. He was a self-employed lawyer.
 He is survived by his wife, Katie; son, David; daughter, Sandra (Barry) Forrest; brother, Nicholas (Sophie); two grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Arrangements made by Heenev-Sundquist Funeral Home in Farmington.

MARIE C. MORGAN
 Services for Marie C. Morgan, 86, of Farmington Hills, were held Dec. 28 at St. Gerald Catholic Church in Farmington with the Rev. Gerald McEnhill officiating. Burial took place at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield.
 Mrs. Morgan was born May 19, 1915 in Detroit and died Dec. 21, 2001 in Clawson. She was a homemaker and member of St. Boniface Catholic Action Group for 60 years.
 She is survived by her sons, Michael and Dennis (Mary); daughters, Roseann (Frank) and Adele (Keith) Knapp and Marie (George) Ross; 10 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.
 Arrangements made by Thayer-Rock Funeral Home in Farmington.

She is survived by her sons, Michael and Dennis (Mary); daughters, Roseann (Frank) and Adele (Keith) Knapp and Marie (George) Ross; 10 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.
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