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Prenatal Series Is Planned

The second in a series of classes for expectant parents will be offered by the Wayne County Health Department, beginning Jan. 10.

The classes will be held every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evening from 7:30 to 9:30 in the South Oakland Health Center, 2725 Greenfield, Southfield. They run for eight weeks.

Registrations are being taken at the health department's education office.

The classes are co-sponsored by the Oakland County Medical Society and various adult education departments throughout the county.

Public health nurses deal with topics such as the mental health of the family unit, growth and development of the baby before and after birth, labor and delivery and care and feeding of the infant.

MRS. ELEANOR DOCTOR, of Redford Township, has been named nursing director by the Four Chaplains Convalescent Center, 28349 Joy, Westland. She will help establish a new skilled nursing care wing, which will open next year. Mrs. Doctor, a registered nurse, is a 1967 graduate of Henry Ford Community College nursing school and worked at Edgewater, Mt. Vernon, Royal and Bloomfield Hills nursing centers before accepting her new position.

Northwest YW Plans 100 Classes For Winter

Registration for winter classes at Northwest Branch YWCA, 29940 Grand River, will open Jan. 3. Classes will begin the week of Jan. 17.

Programs designed for men, women, teens and children will result in more than 100 classes this coming winter term.

CO-ED SUBJECTS for men and women will include fencing, golf, volleyball, swimming, general art, investments, yoga, Black history and an aircraft ground school. Leisure time skills such as bridge, painting, ceramics, guitar, decoupage and ballroom dancing will also be taught.

Activities for teens and young people include ballet, yarncraft, baby sitting, sewing, art, guitar, fencing, swimming and driver's education.

A special program on Saturday mornings for subjects includes a skill level swimming class. Preschoolers swim classes and a nursery program are also available.

PROGRAMS for women only include a ladies' day out package offered three days a week. Morning and afternoon classes will be given in such subjects as knitting, creative stitching, sewing, bridge, physical fitness, art, crocheting, macrame, yoga, aqua gym, cooking, sculpting, decoupage, ballet, ceramics, bowling and swimming. A nursery program is offered for infants and pre-schoolers.

Many of these same subjects will be offered during the evening hours. The popular powder puff mechanics will again be available.

Early registration is advised since all programs are limited in enrollment.



CLARENCE DORST samples a cookie made by his wife, Ruth. They recently marked 60 years of married life. (Ever photo)

Dorsts Of Farmington Now Married 60 Years

If he had to give a recipe for 60 years of happy marriage, Clarence Dorst of Farmington would say it's knowing when to "keep your lousy mouth shut."

"And that goes for both me and the missus," he added, grinning at his wife, Ruth.

The Dorsts, 21-year residents of Lilac Street, celebrated their 60th anniversary in November with three parties and messages of congratulation from President Richard M. Nixon on down.

"WE CERTAINLY weren't trying to see what a wonderful couple we could be," Mr. Dorst said. "I wouldn't give you anything for that kind of husband and wife."

The Dorsts were married in Cincinnati in 1911. Clarence Dorst had lived in that city all his life and Mrs. Dorst had moved there with her family from the tiny town of Terrace Park, Ohio.

"We met at church," she remembers. "He made eyes at me from the choir."

"You were smiling at me," her husband retorted. "Wonder it didn't get me fired—I got paid \$10 a week then, too."

THE COUPLE moved to Detroit in 1916 and lived on American Avenue more than 30 years before taking up residence in Farmington.

"When we put down roots, they go deep," Mrs. Dorst said.

Dorst retired only five years ago from a Detroit brokerage firm. He enjoyed keeping active well past retirement age, but objected a bit when fellow workers asked visitors to guess his age.

"I'm 83, and my wife is 84," he said, "but I don't think it's something to play cute games about."

THE COUPLE has two sons, Thomas, who lives in Plymouth, and Robert, a Livonia resident. There also are four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. The youngest great-granddaughter, just 10 months old, recently received a pink and white afghan that is one of many Mrs. Dorst has crocheted.

Parties to honor the elder Dorsts' long marriage were held at the homes of son Robert and one granddaughter.

"And then our neighbors here on Lilac surprised us with a party one night," Mr. Dorst said. "That was really a surprise—we opened the door and there they were. Like someone blew the roof off the house."

The Dorsts used to be active in church work but find ill health keeps them from attending regularly now. Mr. Dorst is troubled by arthritis and his wife had a fall last spring.

"I was in the hospital and missed seeing our magnolia tree in bloom," she said regretfully, "and I couldn't do any gardening last year."

RUTH DORST said she does lots of crocheting and cooking and her husband is a crossword puzzle fan, though "he really doesn't like retirement much."

"It would be all right if you could get around more," he agreed. "But I can't complain—we like it here and have wonderful neighbors."

Military Ball To Be Jan. 15

The 20th annual Officers Military Ball, one of the Michigan National Guard's most popular social events, will be held the evening of Jan. 15, in the Artillery Armory in Lansing.

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Urban Crisis Will Be Topic

"Urban Crisis" will be the topic at the next meeting in the First Thursday series sponsored by the adult education community of St. Gerald Catholic Church, 21300 Farmington Road, Farmington.

It is scheduled at 8 p.m. Jan. 6.

Richard B. Lobenthal, director of the Michigan regional office of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, will be the speaker.

State Rep. Marvin Stempien will lead a discussion period following.

Lobenthal is a faculty member of the department of sociology of Wayne State University and a private consultant in the field of civil rights and intergroup relations. He is currently president of the Michigan Association of Human Rights.

He will explain his thesis that "the urban crisis is in fact a combination of many of our most pressing social problems: crime, racism, urban sprawl and urban decay, lack of adequate funds, crisis in education, pollution, alienation and apathy — to name only a few."



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