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Who Buys Houses?

Men, have hope, we haven't been completely forgotten.

Contrary to the long standing view of builders that a home's first design consideration should be for the wife, recent "in depth" studies of home buyers shows that the husband has become very important in making the final decision on which house to buy.

Contrary to myth, the American male is interested in the kitchen and the foyer where he can see himself as the gracious host greeting his guests. The upshot of all this is that houses may soon be designed with both husband and wife in mind. Won't that be great?

## Illness Hits Dinan

Farmington City Manager John Dinan is in St. Mary Hospital, Livonia, suffering from an as yet undiagnosed illness.

While undergoing tests for a what might be a stomach disorder, Dinan is being fed intravenously.

The city manager was taken to St. Mary Monday night from City Hall by the public safety director Robert Deadman.

Dinan was at City Hall to attend the meeting of the planning commission but had an attack of severe pain in his office just before the meeting. He was in so much pain, Deadman took him directly to the hospital instead of to his home.

Dinan's secretary, Mrs. Inez Buck, said Wednesday that the city manager may be in the hospital for two weeks.

WASHINGTON -- The federal government has ordered mine inspectors to increase fivefold the number of spot inspections of coal mines and to scrap a rule that could tip off mines to pending checks.

## Lincoln Scholar Attends Historic Illinois Event

Weldon Petz, principal at Farmington's Forest School, was one of five Lincoln scholars from across the nation to attend the re-dedication of the historic state capitol at Springfield, Ill., on Dec. 3.

The capitol building has been restored as part of Illinois' sesquicentennial celebration and is now almost exactly as it used to be when President Lincoln frequented its halls.

Architects Donald Ferry and Earl Wallace Henderson, Jr., did not have original plans to copy for the restoration because they had been destroyed by fire in the 1930's.

Such modern additions as air conditioning equipment, electrical apparatus, ventilation, counting systems, burglar alarms and TV components had to be carefully hidden from view.

In a speech on the eve of the dedication, Paul M. Angle, director of sesquicentennial publications, praised both the city of Springfield and the Abraham Lincoln Association, of which Petz has been a member, for preserving the famous landmark.

U.S. Appellate Judge and former state governor, Otto Kerner, delivered the feature address at the dedication. As governor he had urged passage of legislation which made the restoration possible.

Illinois Governor Sam Shapiro addressed the audience briefly.



WELDON PETZ

## St. Mary's Sets Concert

The Schola Cantorum and Saint Mary's Glee Club of the Orchard Lake Schools will present their 22nd annual Christmas Musicals on Sunday, Dec. 15, at 8 p.m. in the campus auditorium.

The combined choirs will present Polish and English Christmas carols under the direction of George Losewitz, a senior at St. Mary's College. A few selections which will be featured are the "Hallelujah Chorus" of Handel's "Messiah" as well as some Polish Kolendy favorites such as "Jezusko" (Sleep Little Jesus Sleep).

The public is invited to the concert. There is no admission charge.

TROY -- Troy's school Supt. Rex B. Smith, said he would not seek renewal of his contract which expires in June. Smith is in the midst of an investigation by the state attorney general's office into alleged illegal land transactions and financial mismanagement.



HAPPY TIMES -- Representatives of Farmington's two senior citizens' clubs received activity passes from School Superintendent Rodrick J. Smith (at left) and John K. Cotton, (far right) director of physical education and athletics. The Farmington Board of Education has directed that residents of the school district 65

years and older be given passes to school activities. Accepting for the Pioneer Golden Age Club are its president, Mrs. Mabel Burgess, and secretary, Mrs. Mabel Shellborn. Vice president of the Senior Citizens Social Club, Edward Wood, accepts for his group.

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