

Named Gifts Honor 3 AAUW Members

Three outstanding members are honored by the Farmington Branch of the American Association of University Women through its named gifts to the AAUW fellowship fund.

Mrs. Arthur Medwedoff of Livonia and Mrs. Wesley Orr and Mrs. Herbert Wang of Farmington were chosen for the honor this year as the branch made its annual contribution to the fund that helps American and foreign women on the higher educational level.

Barbara Gregory Medwedoff has been very active in AAUW. She was vice president of the Farmington branch and is now its president. The Livonia branch had its start with her help and now she tries to get in both meetings each month.

She is the secretary of the interbranch council which is a coordinating body of the metropolitan AAUW branches.

She has taught in Waterford Township, Trenton, and Lansing and is now a substitute teacher in Livonia. She enjoys camping and canoeing with her husband and three sons, Robert, Donald, and Carl.

Nina Orr is well-known in the area for her work with Youth for Understanding.

She is YFU representative for the area including Farmington, Plymouth, Northville, Novi, Livonia, Clarenceville and Redford Union High Schools.

This year she has placed about 60 foreign students in homes and high schools in addition to one each in OCC and Schoolcraft College.

Mrs. Orr assists the school districts in planning programs for the foreign students, such as recreational and educational trips. She also arranges for tutoring, if needed; she is active in the summer program; she helps with the program for U.S. students abroad and is a never-ending source of information about the program.

She has taught kindergarten in Farmington, and has been a member of the Farmington AAUW since 1955. She and her husband also have three sons.

Ruth Wang has been an active member of AAUW since 1962. She served as recording secretary for two years and was co-chairman of the book sale in 1971 and chairman of the book sale in 1972.

She is a coordinator of the AAUW Thursday bridge group. In addition to her AAUW activities, she is president of the North Congregational Church co-op nursery school. Mrs. Wang is active

in the Riverwoods Garden Club, a branch of the Women's National Farm and Garden Association. She is chairman of the flower show in September 1973.

The AAUW Centennial Fund is an endowment fund that has a goal of adding \$10 million to the Educational Foundation endowment by AAUW's 100th birthday in 1982.

By increasing the endowment, existing programs can be broadened in scope and new and emerging opportu-

nities in all program areas can be met.

The main priorities are to establish additional fellowships in the professional areas of medicine, dentistry, law, and environmental planning and increase opportunities for women in the creative and performing arts.

Those named in the Farmington branch gifts were picked by a fellowship committee headed by Mrs. Thomas Czubiak. She was assisted by Mrs. Eugene

Schoeneich, Mrs. R.S. Kitzredge and Mrs. Wang.

"With Ruth on the committee, we had a hard time sneaking her in so she wouldn't know about it," Mrs. Czubiak said in announcing the grants.

The branch will install new officers during its May meeting. Mrs. Schoeneich will take over as president. Mrs. Karston Styhr will be first vice president and program chairman, and Mrs. Nina Dunser will be recording secretary.



BARBARA MEDWEDOFF (center) and Ruth Wang (right) are two of the three members of the Farmington branch American Association of University Women honored by AAUW named grants this year. With them is Mrs. Thomas Czubiak, head of the committee that chose outstanding members for the recognition. Also named was Nina Orr, who could not be present for the picture-taking. (Evert photo)

YW, St. Agatha Plan Career Day

High school students and their parents will be able to learn about careers that do not require college diplomas during "Career '73," scheduled Thursday, May 10, from 7 to 10 p.m. in St. Agatha High School, 1700 Beech Daly, Redford Township.

St. Agatha and the Northwest YWCA, 2550 Beech at Grand River, are joining to sponsor the event.

Interested students and parents may register at either location. There is no fee but pre-registration is necessary.

Fifteen vocations will be

discussed as part of the program.

These will include the automotive industry, travel agencies, the medical field, construction work, communications, retailing, law enforcement, finance, social work, commercial arts, technician work, food service, education, secretarial work and ecology.

All participants will meet together to hear an opening speaker and then each student will choose two fields he would like to explore in depth.



BETH SCHWARTZ

Mrs. and Mrs. Edward M. Schwartz of Farmington announce the engagement of their daughter, Beth Irene, to Steven M. Slavin, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Slavin of Southfield. The bride-elect is employed as a dental assistant by the University of Michigan school of dentistry and her fiancé is a senior at Eastern Michigan University, majoring in accounting. They plan to be married in August.

'Retirement Readiness' Is Topic

"Retirement Readiness" is the topic of a five-week discussion series beginning Tuesday, May 1, in the Oakland Branch YWCA, 839 S. Crooks Road, Clawson. The series will begin at 9:15 a.m. each Tuesday.

The fee for YWCA members is \$3. There will be a guest fee of \$1.50 for one-time admission. Registrations now are being taken at the YWCA.

Dr. Lillian Troll, professor of psychology at Wayne State University, will open the series with a discussion of "Attitudes Toward Aging."

Other topics are "Financial and Legal Affairs," "Problems of the Older Person When Ill," "Insurance Planning," "Social Security Benefits," "Choosing a Residence," "Funeral Arrangements," and "Towards an Understanding of Death."

Big Sisters Plan State Conference

The Big Sisters of Michigan, currently headed by Mrs. James Gibbs, of Redford Township, will hold a state conference April 27 and 28 in the Holiday Inn, Midland.

Marge Gibbs is well known in the Detroit area for her services to homemakers. She was marketing agent for Michigan State University for 15 years. She is now director of consumer affairs for Chatham Super Markets, Inc.

Both she and her husband have had a Little Sister and Little Brother since 1967, and she is on the board of trustees for the program in Detroit. She was awarded a Heart of Gold from the United Foundation in 1969 for her work with the program.

Among the conference speakers will be Justice

Mary S. Coleman who was elected this year to the Supreme Court of Michigan. She is the first honorary member of the board of Big Sisters of Michigan.

The program will be kicked off by an inspirational message from Big Sisters International, which was formed only two years ago. The group chose to use Michigan's state theme, "An Adventure in Friendship."

Efforts are being made to strengthen the Big Sister program in the state this year. Board members represent 10 organized agencies in the state and individuals dedicated to promoting the program.

The program provides a service to young girls who are in need of personal attention and friendship.

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2 Achievers

WHEATON Two Southfield students have been named to the dean's list for the winter quarter at Wheaton College, Wheaton, Ill.

They are: Sandra L. Dorland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dorland of Magnolia; and, Susan M. Crichton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Crichton of Midway.

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