

Retardates' home to be COC topic

At its annual meeting tonight (Wednesday), the Community Opportunities Center (COC) will discuss its projected home for retarded adults in Plymouth and plans for a similar facility in Livonia or Northville Township.

The Plymouth project, which will house about 16 retarded adults who will work in jobs in the community, has already been approved by the city and now awaits final approval by the state of Michigan.

Funds from a \$35,000 house donated to the COC by a Livonia resident can be used to begin work on the Plymouth facility and the second one in this area, a COC spokesman said.

In addition to discussing these projects, the COC annual meeting will include elections of new officers. It will be held at 6 p.m. in the Cooper School Annex, Ann Arbor Trail at Middle Belt.



WHEN TINY Stephanie Smith was born five weeks ago, one of the proudest grandmothers around was Elizabeth Holmes, Plymouth Township treasurer. Stephanie also has a

great-grandmother, Mrs. Elizabeth Welsman, shown holding her. Her mother, at the left, is Mrs. Patricia Smith. (Observer photo by Bob Woodring)

SC courses define women's world

Four new courses focusing on the changing roles and concerns of women will be offered by Schoolcraft College this winter.

The courses, announced by Nancy Dufour who heads the women's continuum program conducted by Schoolcraft's community services office, are "Women and the Law," "The Money-Wise Woman," "Protection Against Rape," and "Images of Women in Literature."

Two popular courses for women which were introduced last term will be repeated: "Women's Reading and Study Skills Refresher" and "Women: Joy in the

Middle Years." Additional new courses which Mrs. Dufour strongly recommends for women are: "Basic Auto Maintenance" and "Self-Defense."

Registration for these courses may be completed by mail until Jan. 25 or in person at the registrar's office from Jan. 28, until the second meeting of each class. Classes will begin during the week of Feb. 18.

Tuition for persons residing within the college district is \$11 per course. Courses scheduled to meet less than eight weeks have a reduced tuition rate. Out-of-district

students pay double the amount specified.

"Women and the Law" will meet from 7 to 9 p.m. on eight Tuesday evenings beginning Feb. 19.

Some of the areas of law to be covered in this course include: employment laws, marriage, divorce and family laws, wills, estate and property laws and laws concerning social security, pensions, education, child care and equal rights. The course will be taught by Marie Miller, an assistant prosecuting attorney for Wayne County.

"The Money-Wise Woman" will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. on four Wednesday evenings beginning Feb. 20.

Specific areas to be covered include record keeping, budgets, credit, taxes, individual net worth, balance sheet, investments and planning for retirement. It will be taught by Jean Budd, an accountant, with the assistance of speakers from the American Society of Women Accountants.

"Protection Against Rape" will meet on three Thursday evenings from 7:00-9:40 p.m. beginning Feb. 21.

It will be taught by Dorothy Gay, the recently retired former director of the

women's division of the Detroit Police Department. Ms. Gay has had more than 25 years of experience in police work.

"Images of Women in Literature" will meet on 12 Thursday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m. beginning Feb. 21.

"Women: Joy in the Middle Years" will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. on eight Thursday afternoons beginning Feb. 21. Designed to increase awareness of the physical, psychological and lifestyle changes brought about in women by the aging process, it will focus on the adjustments required of women in this society as they move away from their early roles of full-time wife and mother.

"Women's Reading and Study Skills Refresher" will meet on eight Wednesday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m. beginning Feb. 20.

"Basic Auto Maintenance" will meet on eight Wednesday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m. beginning Feb. 20. "Self-Defense" will be held on sixteen Saturday afternoons from 12:30-2 p.m. beginning Feb. 23.

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