

Grant Award winners named by local AAUW

The Farmington branch of AAUW honored three members of the group as "Named Grant Award" recipients. They are Lenore Frontczak, Barbara Justice and Lucille Rogers.

LENORE FRONTZAK'S qualities of leadership extend in many directions. In her ten year membership, she has served as area chairman for "World Problems" from 1967-1970, was the 1971 book sale chairman and is presently topic chairman of "Budgeting for Earth."

She belongs to the First Presbyterian Church of Farmington and is an ordained Elder and Trustee of the Session. She is currently president of the Women's Association of First church. Lenore is a member of the Farmington Players and has done costuming, properties and prompting.

She took part in a program called "Experiment in International Living" and found homes for 14 engineering students from the University of Cauca, Columbia and South America.

She has been a public school music teacher and teaches piano and clarinet in her home. She is a folk dance teacher and has taught children's and adult groups including a blind and deaf group. She has a part time job, is a wife and mother of three children and finds time to take courses. She has the unique ability to carry through creative ideas in any organization which she is associated.

BARBARA JUSTICE has been serving her church, community and family for many years with great zeal and much success. She has been involved in the Farmington Great Books program for five years and has been the spark behind the whole effort. She establishes the instructor training classes, assigns the leaders, contacts the schools and administrators, finds the substitutes, puts on demonstrations. As a result of the Great Books, she has been a member of the PTA Council for five years. She organized and was a leader in a girl scout troop.

Barbara is an active participant in MACLD (Michigan Association for Children with Learning Disabilities), helping in gym and swim classes. She is pursuing a master's degree at Wayne State now and helping one morning a week in Farmington's famous bucket brigade.

Over the years, despite her involvement in all those items listed above she has taken on her share of the many other responsibilities for mothers and wives. She has been a Sunday school teacher, a church youth club counselor, grade school room mother, Little League team mother, nursery school assistant, set up and sales worker at the annual book sale and never lost sight of her role of wife.

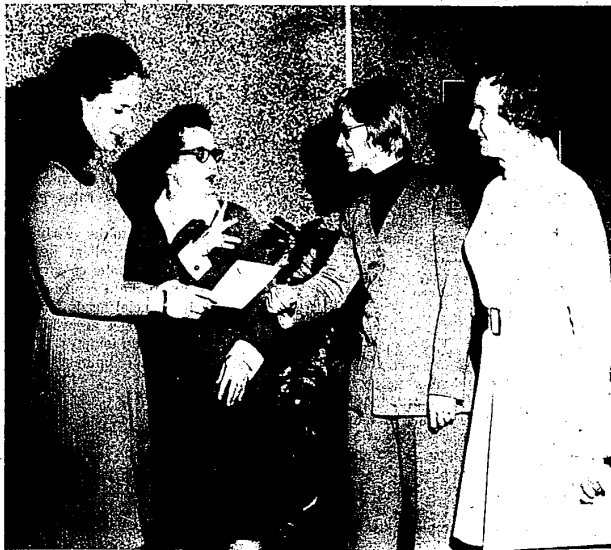
To prove she hasn't forgotten herself, during the last few years, she has taken up two new sports, skiing and tennis.

LUCILLE ROGERS is a person to get you involved in attending meetings of interest and get your attention on issues. She has given services to others for many years in her quiet and confident manner. She has been the scheduling chairman for the AAUW Book Sale for several years. She is the board representative to attend school board meetings and report back. She takes shut-ins for rides and regularly visits them when they are ill. She drives patients to and from the hospitals for cancer treatment and chaperones groups of youth at church.

She has had girl scout troops in her home over a period of two months, working on a badge in babysitting; then, after their successful learning, matches them with babysitting opportunities. She is always on the lookout for jobs for youth and gives support to mixed-up youth.

Lucille attends women's meetings at her church to roll bandages, to collect and count coupons for beds for a mission station, mends clothing for children at the Baptist Children's home and makes cancer bandages.

She has helped handicapped children at Eagle School and has been a substitute teacher at the school. She is a wife and mother to three children.



FARMINGTON AAUW award winners for the year accept their grants from Meg Brown, at left, president of the American Assn. of

University Women's Michigan Division. The 1974 winners are Lenore Frontczak, Barbara Justice and Lucille Rogers. (Evert photos)

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Parents prepare for childbirth

By LORAIN McCLISH

The first class of expectant parents in Farmington who are getting training in prepared childbirth is in session now on Wednesday nights in the North Farmington Baptist Church. The class is the first of its kind brought into Oakland County by the Plymouth Childbirth Education Assn., Inc.

"Prepared childbirth means just that. A lot of us believe that birth comes naturally. It should come naturally, I guess. But that doesn't always happen," said Kay Christman, of 30150 Valley Side Dr., Farmington Hills.

Mrs. Christman is a registered nurse and one of four nurses who lead classes that are going on continually, mostly in cities in western Wayne County, sponsored by the education association.

The association, she says, is made up of about 18 active members "who have had good birth experiences and just want to tell everybody about it."

Speaking for herself, she said "I got so excited about it I started teaching."

THE PURPOSE of the group is to promote the well-being of the family by providing intellectual, emotional, and physical preparation for childbirth through classes in the Lamaze method.

The group also strives to secure medical, nursing, and hospital administrative cooperation. And to advertise and promote the classes. It does this by showing films, mostly in high school family living or home economic classes. Literature is sent out on request, and if a group wants a speaker, that can be arranged.

Mrs. Christman said she "stumbled upon" a doctor who told her about prepared childbirth after she had "an extremely frightening experience" giving birth to her first child, six-year old Chris.

She and her husband joined a class together which they were expecting Susan, now three-and-a-half, and have been enthusiasts ever since.

MRS. CHRISTMAN said that the response from husbands is pretty much the same in all classes.

"On the first night (of class) we always hear remarks such as: 'I don't know why I'm here. I was drugged. She made me come.'"

"But it isn't long before they are doing the coaching and encouraging. Then, after the birth, they are always our best salesmen," she said.

Childbirth preparation takes seven weeks, one night a week for two hours. An ideal class is made up of 10 persons or five couples. The ideal time to start classes is in the seventh month of pregnancy so the training is completed about two weeks before due date.

In the Farmington area, Mrs. Christman believes the classes will continue at the same church, on Wednesdays, from 7:30-9:30 p.m.

All inquiries, as well as registration

information, can be addressed to: Plymouth Childbirth Education Assn., Inc. P.O. Box 311, Plymouth, 48170. Telephone calls will be taken by Mrs. John Cross, 455-7759.



KAY CHRISTMAN



STEVE PANOSIAN, PAUL ARAKELIAN AND ARMEN KORKIGIAN

Armenian protest

'Raise food, not opium'

By SHERRY KAHAN

In 1915 the Turkish government massacred 1.5 million Armenians, a Christian minority living in their country.

That was far away and long ago. But activities on Wednesday, April 24 by the Armenian Youth Federation will bring it close to home and up to date. Fearing a similar "massacre" of the youth of this country from Turkish heroin, this group of young people from the Detroit metropolitan area is protesting any governmental action that might mean additional opium, from which heroin is made, getting into this country.

Choosing the date on which the Armenian community commemorates the 1915 tragedy, April 24, the 150 members of the organization including several from Livonia, Westland and Plymouth, will leaflet as many areas as they can manage.

These will include busy spots in Detroit as well as such college campuses as the University of Michigan (both in Ann Arbor and Dearborn), Wayne State University, Uni-

versity of Detroit, Central Michigan University, Michigan State University, Eastern Michigan University and Western Michigan University. They also hope to appear in shopping centers including the Livonia Mall.

Specifically the youth group fears cancellation of the agreement between the U.S. and Turkey under which Turkish farmers ceased growing opium.

"Eighty per cent of the illicit opium supplies in this country come from Turkey," said Nancy Gavoor of Livonia, who is a member of the planning committee.

"Our organization feels an obligation to the youth of this country to expose the fact that most of our heroin has been made from Turkish opium."

"It is said to know that someone as young as junior high students can obtain it. We know heroin is very addictive. But if it is not available to the people who try to solve their problems with it, then they won't get started," she added.

The aim of the Armenian Youth Federation is to stop heroin at the source, not only to help potential ad-

dicts but to prevent drug related crime."

She said it made her boiling mad recently when she read that American drug companies are bringing pressure to bear on the American government to cancel this agreement with Turkey.

"They feel they can save money buying Turkish opium, used medically in morphine, she added."

"What is good for the public is more important than what is good for the pharmaceutical companies," stated Nancy. "And we want the public to know what is going on."

Nancy and her brother, Mark, a student at the University of Michigan, are among the Livonians who will be reminding the public of massacres, both old and new, on Wednesday.

Joining them will be Pat and Rose Ann Darakdjian, Levon Hachigian, Richard Kamar, Karen Kiefer, Vanessa Marderosian and Haig Nisharian. Oram and Levon Chodanian of Westland and Cheryl Hagopian of Plymouth will also be out with leaflets to commemorate a disaster that took place 59 years ago and perhaps to prevent another.