

# Flood insurance to be explained

**SOUTHFIELD**—Repercussions of the new federal flood plain insurance legislation will be explained at a Feb. 3 meeting in Southfield sponsored by the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG).

The public meeting will be 1:30 p.m. in the Southfield Parks and Recreation Building, 26000 Evergreen Road.

SEMCOG representatives will explain why communities which don't abide by the new legislation will be ineligible for federal funds or federally guaranteed loans for building in flood plains.

According to SEMCOG officials, these communities will also be ineligible for federal disaster relief funds for flooded areas or federally funded flood insurance.

**THE NATIONAL** flood insurance program is federally subsidized and authorized by a 1968 state act. It protects property owners who have been unable to obtain affordable coverage through private insurance companies.

The City of Southfield joined the program in 1970.



**Fire destroys empty house**

Fire destroyed an unoccupied house at 28500 Greyfield Friday night. All four of the city's fire stations responded to the blaze in the southeast section of Farmington Hills. Fire chief William Gearhart said property loss was \$4,000. The fire took three and one-half hours to extinguish. The house was owned by Tom Swiatowski of Livonia. (Photographed by Craig Newman.)

## Federal funds gone

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tus, minor infections, and upper respiratory infections as well as drug problems.

The clinic does have arrangements made for the necessary X-rays and laboratory work but it is not always a routine with each treatment.

**THE SPOKESMAN** said that there was a question as to whether many of the persons who seek treatment at the free clinic would submit to the battery of tests involved in the examination required by NIDA.

The county was negotiating with NIDA to have acute care clinics exempted from the new federal criteria.

Ron O'Brien, county employee in charge of the NIDA grants, declined to comment on the telephone about the federal criteria.

The FAAC spokesman said that 90 days would probably be the longest that the clinic could continue to operate. That would take the program to the middle of April.

The cutoff of NIDA funds hits FAAC doubly hard.

**THE GRANT** had enabled FAAC to hire one counselor and a half-time secretary. Both persons were being used in the total program operated by FAAC as well as the free clinic.

FAAC operates a hotline and counseling service in the community.

The free clinic, which is open from 7 to 10 p.m. Tuesdays, has been operating at capacity.

The spokesman said that the clinic's performance has nothing to do with the possible loss of the NIDA funds.

If the clinic does manage to continue to operate through April, it could be faced with additional problems if it is unable to find a firm to provide mal-

## Sklare receives Wayne doctorate

**FARMINGTON**—Gerald B. Sklare of Farmington Hills recently received a doctorate in guidance counseling from Wayne State University.

A counselor at Harrison High School, Sklare wrote a doctoral thesis entitled "The effects of a values clarification process upon the values, clarity of values and dogmatism of high school juniors and seniors."

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