

# Students beautify and learn simultaneously at Woodcreek

Students attending Wood Creek Elementary School are proud of their kindergarten, proud of their dogwood trees and shrubs planted around their school on a recent busy Saturday afternoon.

But they are learning more than just a few botanical names," said Sharon Zamczyk, a mother of one of the students at the school. "They are seeing ecological concern for the school grounds and the results of a community working together."

Parents, students and teachers worked together digging, fertilizing, watering and planting the trees or shrubs they had purchased.

The project represents the work of the Beautification Committee of Wood Creek Parent-Teacher Organization. With the professional aid of Steinkopf Nursery, members appropriated greenery to enhance the school.

One of the unusual facets of the project was that the individual families made their own selection of greenery.

and then, many of them honored children, grandparents, or special individuals with their donation.

Now, a permanent, three-dimensional relief map of the school grounds is being prepared by Farmington High School students, under the direction of John Klenczar. The map will indicate, by family name, the contributors of a specific planting or plantings.

The school committee includes Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bruhn, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Doecker, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hayosh, Keith Ronningen, Pauline Mocer, Sandra Leshman, Natalie Freed and Brenda Jaffee.

Fifth grade teachers June Lieb and Barbara Eisenheimer and student-Scott Schuster, Leslie Owen, Jeff Ronningen and Sandy Berry also served on the committee.

Tom Bates, a sixth grade, was cited by school principal Mel Blackman for his special help on planting day.



Barbara Eisenheimer, a fifth grade teacher at Woodcreek, is flanked by tree planters Leslie Owen, at left, Jeff Ronningen, and Tom Bates.

## Co-op nursery lists activities

The Family Life Co-op Nursery, which is based in the North Congregational Church on Lahser and 14th, wound up its November activities by hosting Kappy and Ditto from the Poison Control Center of Children's Hospital.

The visit culminated a host of November activities Pam Dundas believes is unusual providing for preschoolers.

Another facet of the nursery she cited was that there is no age restriction for membership. "It's left up to the judgment of the parent," she said.

"If the mother feels the child is ready, we accept him."

The preschoolers have seen the workings of a firefighting team, seen a demonstration of firefighting equipment and learned about fire prevention. They have visited a library, seen a puppet show and were a part of the mothers' fund raising activities this fall.

Memberships are open now, through Mrs. Joseph Krul of Southfield, 557-8673.

## SC schedules financial aid session, Dec. 3

Schoolcraft College has scheduled a meeting on financial aid available to students for 2 p.m. Dec. 3, at its instructional center, 2200 Florence in Garden City.

John Toney, the College's director of financial aid, will be available for a general presentation and to answer specific questions. He administers over a quarter of a million dollars in loans, grants and scholarships annually.

The meeting is open to all interested persons—students, future students and parents. It is being held in the gym of the Florence Center.

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