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For the armchair quarterback



John Pinkerman, FYA caseworker, and Beth Larson, summer camp director, review youth projects conducted by the program in the Farmington community. (Staff photo by Harry Mauthe)

Counselor aids youths

(Coatinued from page 1A) and expertise in a wide variety of areas.

"The committee meets once a month to tackle the many programs that will bring about our goals for a better community. We have goale for a better community. We have goale many in getting our programs started "says Mrs Julie Karagonan public relations director of the program." There are II committee members and various other subcommuttees that try to identify with certain aspects of youth troubles."

"There are a lot of personalities in the group and each one has a burning desire to create a better environment for the community and youths." She

for the community and youths," she says.

One of the subcommittees is the case study committee chaired by Virginia Britton, a school social worker It consists of a psychologist, social workers, public health nurse, school courselor, representatives for both the Farmington and Farmington Hills police departments and clergyment.

Farmington Hills police departments and clergymen. THIS GROUP acts as a consulting body for Pinkerman, meeting to discuss trends, ideas and other youth-related topics. Through their combined expertise, the FYA program is growing along with the needs of the community, explains Mrs. Karagonan. The FYA offices are on the lower level of the Farmington City Hall From there. Pinkerman organizes programs for helping youths. Besides the etizens' group and the counseling aspects of his job, he also is univolved the pringing in outside specialists at night who help teach area adults about youth programs.

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Last year, the FVA was given a Law Enforcement Assistance Administration grant to conduct a four-week workshop called "University for the presented again through the efforts of the parent education committee to the parent education or the parent education or the parent education that the special program which were the earning program which went to the team program which went to the the program hopes to increase that figure so many more substantial to the program hopes to increase that figure so many more counts can attend the camps.

"Right now I am remarkably pleased with the way our program is going. The community response has been great and very helpful." says Finkerman.

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But I feel it would be beneficial if we strengthened the support from adults and our sonsors. He schools We must get everyone involved if we are to effectively deal with youth prob-

lems." One way Pinkerman is getting

everyone active in the program is by forming a volunteer involvement committee. It would ofter a one-to-one relationship program with pixelies as a consistency of the program of the pixelies as structured after the successful Big Brother program in which youths meet to discuss their problems. Prakeman says there are many good ideas coming from these meetings and they have become a vatal part of the overall FYA program. There is a bot of work motived in attempting to prevers juvenile delinquincy in our commantly, but in the end it's worth all the effort, says Pinkerman.

erman "I guess I really shouldn't say this but I try to put myself out of a job by doing whatever I can to help eliminate juvenile problems in the Farmington community." concludes Pinkerman. "By continually working with youths and with our communities influencing the community we are at least beginning to make a dent in the youth problem."

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