

At Town Hall series

Farmington residents can meet celebrities

The annual love affair with the celebrity begins anew next month as Livonia and Northville Town Halls launch new seasons. The Livonia Town Hall will kick off Oct. 26 with the renowned news commentator and traveler, Lowell Thomas. Oscar-winning musician Marvin Hamelich will inaugurate the Northville Town Hall Thursday, Oct. 14. Other speakers for the Livonia series are author Barbara Howard, who will speak on Nov. 17, psychologist Sonya Freedman talking Jan. 19 and photographer Philippe Halsman appearing March 16. The talks will be given at 10:30 a.m. in the May Kai Theater, Farmington and Plymouth, Livonia. Computer expert Robert Farr will be heard the next month, Nov. 11 for the Northville series. Humorous Mary McBride will speak March 19 and comedian Peter Lind Hayes on April 7. Lectures start at 11 a.m. in the Plymouth Hilton Inn, 14707 Northville Road, Plymouth. The purpose of each series is fundraising. The Livonia Town Hall uses ticket proceeds to support the international scholarship program of American Field Service. In the case of the Northville Town Hall, the proceeds go to Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church in Northville, and the net is divided among churches in Northville, Plymouth, Livonia, Farmington and South Lyon.

THE NAME Lowell Thomas has been a household name in this country for most of the 44 years since Livonia's first guest speaker, started radio broadcasting. Author of 52 books on exploration and adventure biography, Thomas has circumnavigated the globe and visited both poles several times.

BARBARA HOWARD'S book, "Laughing At The Way," is sharply critical of the Wash-

ington she knew well as a member of the Lyndon Johnson staff. This book was recently followed by "Making Ends Meet." She is said to have shocked, amused, outraged and hobbled with every level of power, social and political.

SONYA FREEDMAN is resident psychiatrist and wit of the Detroit area, who has frequently appeared on TV. She earned a Ph.D. from Wayne State University, has a private practice and is consulting psychologist for the Rochester Community School. She has written "I've Had It, You've Had It."

MARCH 16 will see Philippe Halsman at the May Kai for the Livonia Town Hall. He and his camera were behind 101 Life Magazine covers. Halsman will illustrate his program with slides of some of his most celebrated and inventive pictures.

He will also narrate anecdotes about the famous world personalities he has met.

TO OBTAIN season tickets for the Livonia Town Hall series send a check for \$18 made out to Livonia Town Hall, Inc. to Mrs. Jack Nutsey, 3210 Barkley, Livonia 48154.

Those interested in obtaining tickets for the luncheons with the visiting celebrities who follow the lecture in the Mayflower Meetinghouse may send a check for \$20 along with their order for a season lecture ticket.

Individual luncheon tickets may also be obtained at \$5 per person. No reservations or cancellations will be accepted after the Friday preceding the lecture.

A separate check should be made out for luncheon reservations and mailed to the same post office box.

THE FIRST Northville lecturer won three academy awards for his work as a film musician. Marvin Hamelich was honored for his musical adaptation for "The Sound and His Musical" scoring in the movie, "The Way We Were."

He also composed the music for "Take the Money and Run," "Bananas" and "Save the Tiger."

He will be followed by Robert Farr, who has recently published a book called "The Electronic Criminals," about the misuse of computers.

Farr recently chaired the Industrial Espionage Assessment and Prevention Conference for Management Center, and a former science journalist for CBS and the Scripps-Howard newspapers.

He will show his audience how to pick locks, tap a phone and bug an area. Recently when he was briefing the staff of the U.S. Embassy in the Hague on security procedures, he uncovered three listening devices in full operation.



MARVIN HAMELICH LOWELL THOMAS

Burdick blasts Brodhead stands

By JACKIE KLEIN

Republican Congressional candidate James Burdick has charged his Democratic opponent with opposing reform measures to prevent "Wayne Hays-type abuses."

Burdick, a Southfield attorney vying for a seat on the U.S. House of Representatives in Michigan's 17th district, said Congressman William Brodhead and 26 fellow Democrats Sept. 1 following a secret caucus, voted to prohibit consideration of major reforms of the "scandaloid" payroll and accounting systems of the House.

James Bosall Jr., Burdick's legislative assistant, this week denied Burdick's charge that the incumbent Congressman and other Democrats, in the same secret caucus, made a deal with Hays, allowing the "scandaloid" ex-Congressman to resign yet keep his pension and other rights rather than face censure and expulsion from the House.

BOCALL, speaking for Brodhead who was in Cleveland attending the funeral of his father, said: "Any Congressman would get the same treatment. There's no way to prevent that. I don't believe the Hays issue is germane."

Burdick in 1975 was the only freshman legislator named to the House Steering and Policy Committee by Speaker Carl Albert. Hays was seeking chairmanship of that committee and lost on the fourth ballot. When Hays approached Brodhead, he told him he voted against him four times. Brodhead was never a fan of Wayne Hays.

The procedure on the fiscal 1977 Legislative Appropriations Bill, mandated by the Democratic vote, would prevent Republicans from offering amendments which would require general accounting office review of Congressional spending, Burdick charged.

"THE VOTE will also keep Republicans from offering amendments which would eliminate Congressional club funds and from suggesting amendments which would prohibit increases in Congressmen's expense accounts without floor votes," Burdick alleged.

"Under the gag rule supported by Brodhead, none of these reforms can be considered. Had the Democratic majority truly achieved Congressional reform already they wouldn't have to strangle debate with a rule preventing discussion."

Bosall refuted charges of "gag rule" and termed it a "modified closed rule." In an open rule, the rules committee of 11 Democrats and five Republicans may hear testimony from any interested party. The legislative assistant explained. Closed rules are generally reserved for discussion on tax bills.

"TWO AMENDMENTS to the appropriations bill are the first out-of-living increases for Congressmen and that reforms enacted by Congress July 1 should be permanent," Bosall said. "Brodhead supported both measures."

"If the open rule were applied, reforms would be bogged down in amendments and

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By MARGARET MILLER

How do you send your first child off as the real, really leaves home—no more of that nearby university town stuff? Well, if you're anything like me, all you

can think of to say at the moment of driving off is to tell her to be sure to lock the car with all her worldly possessions when she stops for the night enroute.

"I didn't say it, though I for once had the sense to know it didn't fit at all with a projected 1,000-mile trip in a first newspaper job."

IT DIDN'T FIT, anyway, with the week that had preceded that moment. Our daughter, with such a short time to get her belongings and her affairs in order, had accomplished the task with a dispatch that amazed me.

For one who has always tended to live in a world of ideas and ideals, she suddenly came up with a supply of common sense and efficiency to get everything—well, nearly everything—done in the week.

And if she was worried as she started off, she didn't show it. A great deal more apprehension was evident the day she climbed onto the kindergarten bus, the day she set off for high school and the day we dropped her at the dorm for her freshman year in college.

HER MOTHER ran true to form, though I had made her promise to call when she reached her new home, no, on second thought, at the end of the second day of driving, regardless of whether she was all the way there.

So when that evening came and the call didn't, it was not the first exactly, as I did the first time she took the car out alone.

The telephone finally rang, she'd had a car trouble delay but it was fixed and she'd be a couple more hours on the road. She'd let me know when she got there.

And the next morning her youngest son wanted to know if she'd reached her destiny. I said I thought she meant destination, and she had.

But maybe the first word wasn't all that far off.

'Freedom of Belief' is sermon topic

The Sunday service sermon for Sept. 12 in Universalist-Unitarian Church of Farmington will be "Beyond Freedom of Belief." The church is located at 25301 Highland Road.

The hypothesis, says David Pfreaner, is "Free of belief is not enough. There must be something more. What? Come join in the search."

The service will feature a dramatic excerpt, a poem fragment, singing and an internal inquiry into the search for meaning.

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She is a Birmingham resident who has been making macrame plant hangers for two years.

Materials will be available for purchase at the workshop, but other than that, there is no charge.

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