



The gun sounds and 220 runners take off to start the fourth annual West Bloomfield Marathon. (Staff photos by John Stano)



Mike McCandless (137) joins Donald Treen (left) for a cup of water and a quick breather.

Ideal weather for a marathon

Sunday's West Bloomfield Marathon brought out the best in town.

The sun shone warm on 220 runners who toed their marks for the Fourth Annual West Bloomfield Marathon over a 26-mile course that criss-crossed the township.

Despite torrid temperatures and the course which was designated as rough by most accounts, all but 50 runners finished.

Aid stations staffed by volunteers offering water and Gatorade were supplemented by caring residents who offered liquid refreshments, juicy fruits and encouragement to runners as they wove in and out of subdivisions and down major roads.

Several homeowners dug out their hoses to give marathoners a free sprinkle.

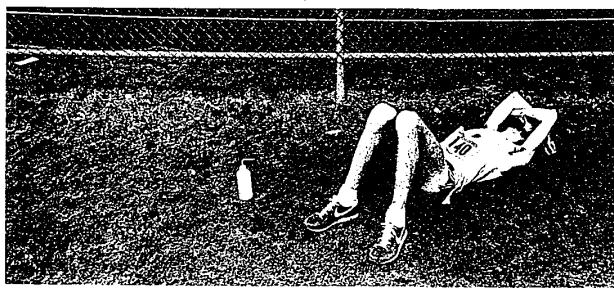
West Bloomfield Emergency Medical Service was on

hand to aid anybody in serious discomfort.

Proceeds from the marathon will help EMS personnel to train more residents in emergency medical techniques. Just what those proceeds will be hasn't been figured out, according to Chuck Proulx, who organized the race co-sponsored by West Bloomfield Parks and Recreation and VISA International. He expects it will be another \$10,000.

The awards ceremony in the West Bloomfield High School cafeteria was overflowing with runners, their families and friends. Township residents felt it a fitting tribute that local runner John Grabowski finished first in the race, which was returned this year to his hometown.

For the whole story and more pictures, see today's Sports in Section B.



Rick McQueen of Canton, Ohio, collapses after finishing second.



John Geiz grimaces in pain as his leg cramps at the finish.

THE INSIDE *ANGLE

SPRING CLEAN-UP time has reached a fever pitch in Farmington. So get out your broom and get in the spirit. Volunteers are needed by the Farmington Beautification folks. There are still plenty of things to do, according to Jackie Steuer, chairman. Groups or individuals can reach Jackie at 478-4566 or 477-4353. To give you an idea of some of the local efforts taking place this weekend, the Farmington Beautification folks are on the job of cleaning up City Park. Three Boy Scout troops will be out in force cleaning up the right-of-ways on Fulsom, Nine Mile, Farmington Road and Orchard Lake Road. The Mormon crew who helped clean up the cemeteries last year will do the same again this year.

FANTASY, ANYONE? That's what the Kenbrook Elementary School is offering on May 4, from 11:45 a.m. to 4 p.m. in its Fantasy World '80 Karnival. The festivities will kick off with Fantasy Parade. Decorated persons and vehicles will be on parade led by the Farmington Hills Police and Fire Department. Activities for the day will include the moon walk, dippy dunker, bake sale, cake walk, miniature golf, craft room, book sale and fish pond. Proceeds from last year's carnival went to the purchase of audiovisual materials, a set of encyclopedias, a cargo net for the gym and supplies for the library. Kenbrook is asking people to put this year's money to just as good use. Come on over. The school is located at 32130 Bonnet Hill, south of 13 Mile between Orchard Lake and Farmington.

MMMM The old organ over at the First United Methodist Church in downtown Farmington has seen its better days and the congregation is looking for a new one. "We need for a new organ is urgent and you have would very much be appreciated," says Connie Baur, church person for the big fund-raising drive. If interested in tuning up the Sunday morning singing at the Methodist Church, contact the church.

A MORE SERIOUS NOTE. A Focus on Living (with Cancer) meeting will be on May 8, at 7:30 p.m. at the Orchard United Methodist Church, 30450 Farmington Road in Farmington. The purpose of this help group is to bring together persons and families who are facing cancer or are experiencing problems as a result of living with cancer. Participants are encouraged to discuss their mutual problems in a positive manner. For additional information, contact the American Cancer Society at 557-5353.

JOBs ARE AVAILABLE. That may be difficult to believe in these times of growing

unemployment. But high school students looking for work have a chance at summer employment through the state. The state departments of labor, transportation and natural resources employ thousands of young men and women throughout the state each summer. There are a variety of programs that give eligible young persons an opportunity to gain work experience and develop basic skills. The Department of Labor's Summer Youth Employment Program is funded with \$32 million in federal funds and seeks to place economically disadvantaged youth. The Urban Youth Program of the Department of Transportation is a nine week summer employment program with focuses on 16- and 17-year-olds. Work activities include roadside cleanup, park and rest area maintenance, ground maintenance and clerical assistance. Anyone interested in seeking summer employment through the state can contact State Rep. Sandy Brotherton, R-Farmington, for further information. He can be contacted at 517-373-1753.

NEED SOME RECIPE ideas? The American Cancer Society is offering a very special cook book available at Farmington Hills Kroger supermarket. The Michigan Cook's Collection cookbook features recipes from the Detroit area's finer restaurants, including the Pointchartrain Winery, Allette's Bakery, the London Chop House and many more. Recipes also have been submitted by celebrities from around the Detroit area. Cost of the publication is \$5.

RECALL ALERT. Approximately 55,000 plastic night lights that may pose a shock hazard to consumers are being recalled by their importer, Danara International, Ltd., of South Hackensack, New Jersey. It has been announced by Sears. The night lights were manufactured in a square shape with a built-in cover depicting popular cartoon and nursery rhyme characters. The cover can be rotated so that the picture can be viewed in an upright position regardless of how the light is plugged into an electrical outlet. Some of the lights were manufactured with insufficient glue, permitting the front cover to detach from the light assembly and thereby exposing the interior electrical wiring. The recalled lights bear the following inscription embossed on the orange plastic backing: "Danara International, Ltd., 1/4 watt, 115 volts. The Sears model features a picture of Winnie-the-Pooh. Consumers should return the lights to the place of purchase for a full cash refund. For more information, call the Consumer Product Safety Commission at 800-638-8326.

Monogramming:
the must-have
accessory
for a season
of classics

Take the initial step in personalizing your wardrobe with monogramming from Hudson's. Make a lasting impression with initialed cuffs, collars, pockets, even handbags done in the letters you'd like. Monogramming adds that little extra touch of polish to clothes and gifts. And it's the ideal finishing touch for this year's preppy look. Like J.G. HOOK's oxford dress in blue, pink or yellow pastels of cotton/polyester, \$48. Misses' sizes. The Woodward Shops. Monogram style #1B, \$3, is just one from a collection, now offered at all Hudson's stores. Plan ahead for Mother's Day; special monogram orders should be placed before May 1, to assure delivery before the holiday.

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