

YOUTH ART MONTH begins Sunday, March 1, so designated by the National Art Education Association. To celebrate, the elementary art consultants of the Farmington Public Schools are preparing three expanded exhibits of children's art.

The children's room of the 12 Mile Farmington Community Library is the scene of a display set up by Pam Fisher and Harvey Goldstein to help celebrate the opening of the new children's room.

On March 6, Aravey Barsamin, Gil Maxwell and Bob Benjamin will hang art work at the Farmington Community Library downtown. The continuing display at Botsford General Hospital will be replaced by Beverly Ellis with art work from Eagle and Wooddale Schools.

PARENTS OF PRESCHOOLERS, circle March 30 on your calendar. That's the first day of the week Farmington Schools will take registration for students who will be starting kindergarten in September.

Registration will take place in the local elementary schools. The purpose of early registration is to provide parents an opportunity to take advantage of the districts new preschool developmental testing program.

It's also a chance for youngsters to participate in a preschool orientation. For more information, call 626-8335.

ONE MORE BIT of news from Farmington schools. The teacher's union newsletter offers these tips to parents about helping kids with homework.

- Help them learn to find information in books, newspapers and magazines. A trip to the library is a must.
- Help with memory work by drilling or reviewing work; by listening to recitations.
- Offer ideas for projects related to school studies. Let them talk their ideas over with you.
- Praise the things your child does well. Don't dwell on shortcomings.
- Let your child take a homework break. A few minutes can refresh a busy mind.
- Be persistent in your daily attention to your child's school work.

ZEPHYR'S GONE UNDERGROUND. The gas station on the corner of Grand River and Middlebelt that was fined last month for selling unleaded gasoline with excessive lead has a new name.

Now it's called Addison, which is the name of Zephyr's supplier, the Addison Petroleum Co. Excessive lead causes damage to a car's catalytic converter. Repairs cost between \$181 and \$229 not including labor. So let the buyer beware.

FARMINGTON'S NEW HISTORICAL museum (the Old Warner

mansion) is still in need of cash donations to assist with the restoration and refurbishing of the former home of three-term Michigan governor Fred M. Warner.

The first \$10,000 received will be matched on a two-to-one basis with funds from a Slocum family grant. The Slocums are direct descendants of the Warners.

The Farmington Historical Commission is sponsoring the drive. For more information, call 476-6348 or 476-4125. All donors will be acknowledged in the Farmington Observer.

CONGRATULATIONS go out to Mark Stephen Lucas of Farmington who graduated from the Detroit College of Law this month. Lucas graduated from Wayne State University with a bachelor of science degree in June 1974.

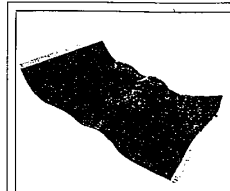
ANN SIMANEK of Farmington Hills touted her flute last Sunday with the 1981 Michigan Interscholastic Honors Band performing at her alma mater, Alma College.

This is the third time Ms. Simanek, a member of the Alma College Kiltie Band, has been selected for the honors band. A 1977 graduate of Harrison High School, she is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Simanek of Westmoreland Street.

LOOKING FOR SOMETHING worthwhile to do next Wednesday? Look no further. The Farmington Education Association is sponsoring a CPR night for adults March 4 at Harrison High School, with sessions 4-8 p.m. at 30-minute intervals.

Sessions are expected to last two hours and include the basic principles of one-person cardiopulmonary resuscitation. Participants will view a movie, receive a short lecture and practice the procedure on mannekins.

Red Cross certificates will be awarded to those who successfully complete the course. Pre-registration is required. Call 476-4191 for a reservation. There's no charge. Each session is limited to 20 persons.



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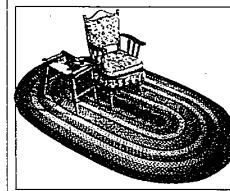
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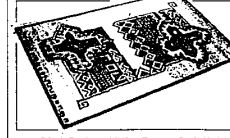
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Nursery schools conduct open house

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Interested parents will be able to meet with representatives from each center. They will also receive a recently published directory of all area centers.

Marjorie Ziefert, Eastern Michigan University faculty member and Washenaw County Child Care Coordinating and Referral Service board member, will be the featured speaker.

The fair, first of its kind in this area, is sponsored by Farmington Youth Assistance, The Farmington Area Preschool Council and The Farmington Library System.

Empty homes target of Hills break-ins

Three break-ins occurred in Farmington Hills last weekend, two of them at the expense of vacationing homeowners.

House-watchers reported the two Sunday break-ins to police. Both homes were ransacked and it's not known what was taken.

In one of the incidents, the break-in was reported by a dogowner. The victims were vacationing in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

In the other case, the front door was forced open on a residence on Parkside. The owners are vacationing in Winter Garden, Colo.

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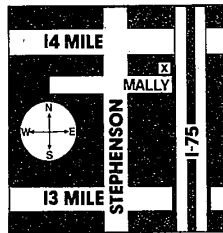
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