Mercy tops the list

Journalism tourney brings out best in high schools

Farmington area high schools walked away with a bushel full of journalistic honors at the recent Schoolcraft College High School Journalism Contest.

The eighth annual award competition pitted school newspapers against one another from throughout the Schoolcraft College district, which includes schools from Wayne to Southfield.

Our Lady of Mercy cashed in on seven separate journalistic awards, with four being in the reveiws category judged by Detroit News film critic Susan Stark.

Taking first place in reviews was Peggy Sugrue for her review of a recent Diana Ross concert. Second place went to Mercy's Brigid Quinn for her revelw of the movie "Reds." The honorable mention categoy was swept by Mercy's Teri Spinelli.

Mercy students also made their mark in the personality feature category. Lynne LaPorte captured first place, with Meg Reutter taking an honorable mention.

Teri Spinelli also took a third place in the general feature category.

North Farmington's Amy Alkon made her journalistic mark by taking several awards. She won a second place in editorial writing and follows that up with an honorable mention in the same category.

ALSO RECOGNIZED for her efforts in the editorial writing category was North's Sylvia Schwartz and Adele Akouri, who also took honorable mention honors.

Alkon also won a second and third place in the personal column category.

Northern Star advertising manager Linda York walked away with a second place in the advertising category for her efforts.

Harrison's Catalyst Newspaper won an honorable mention in the best newspaper category. Editors for that edition are Laurie Miller and Jennifer Thompson. Adviser is Katherine Nyberg.

Farmington High School's Blue and White also starred in the award's ceremony. Derek Kerr won a second place in sports writing while Kim Fournier took an honorable mention in the humorous feature category.

Judges for the contest included: Steve Barnaby, Farmington Observer editor; Mike Arnholt, news editor for the Observer & Eccentric; Ed Wendover, publisher of the Plymouth/Canton Crier; Molly Abraham, the Detroit Free Press; and Nolan Finley, a Detroit News staff writer.

Cable moves ahead

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Three percent of Metrovision's gross revenue raised from cable oprations in Farmington Hills will be paid annually to the city to recover regulating and other costs.

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Every three years, Metrovision will be given a performance evaluation by the city. Open to the public, sessions will examine rates, services, complaints, performance, programming, and governmental rulings.

Cheese is distributed

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cheese. You're talking pizza, macaroni and cheese, grilled cheese sandwiches, scalloped potatoes."

OLHSA directed food distribution at 14 sites in Oakland County. Agency officials advised persons who received the cheese that due to the high salt content in processed cheese — 1,000 milligrams to an ounce — persons with high blood pressure should limit their consumption.

In Oakland County 67,200 pounds of processed American cheese was distributed Monday through Wednesday by OLHSA workers and volunteers. In March close to 60,000 pounds were distributed in the county, according to Sharp. Nationally, more than 30 million pounds of American cheese were set aside for distribution and 221 million pounds are being kept off the market, according to a December press release from the U.S. Department of Labor. Another 104 million pounds of cheddar cheese stored in 500-pound barrels are also being held in what the government calls "uncommitted inventory."

A third free cheese giveaway is expected to be conducted sometime in August in Oakland County, Sharp says.

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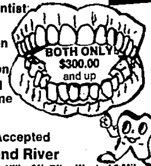

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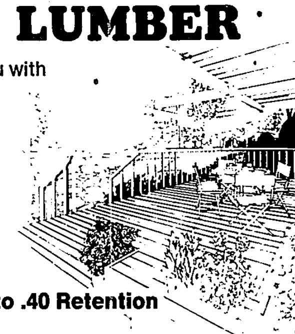

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