

Child welfare agencies set conference, honors

Some 300 representatives of public and private child welfare agencies and advocacy groups are expected to attend the fourth annual legislative forum of the Michigan Association of Children's Alliances on Monday.

Theme for the all-day conference at Marcy Center, 2800 Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills, is "A Balanced Budget at Whose Cost?"

Ellen Hoffman, director of governmental affairs for the Children's Defense Fund in Washington, D.C., will give the keynote address at 10:15 a.m. She will discuss the impact of the Reagan administration cuts on children and their families.

Legislator of the year awards will be presented to U.S. Rep. William Ford, D-Taylor, and state Rep. H. Lynn Joun-

dahl, D-East Lansing, at the noon luncheon.

Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m. The \$22 fee includes six concurrent workshops, the luncheon and a "Meet the Candidates" reception.

Workshop speakers include state Rep. David C. Hollister, D-Lansing, and Republican State Chairman Melvin Larsen, who will speak on "Is the Verdict Still Out? The Human Impact of the Reagan Budget."

Others leading the workshops include: Shirley Tale, executive director of the Office of Children and Youth Services, Michigan Department of Social Services; Joseph F. Young Jr., D-Detroit, and Gerald Hicks, executive director of the Michigan Federation of Private Child and Family Agencies.

Oakland sets restoration workshop

A historic restoration workshop will be held Monday, Oct. 25 and Monday, Nov. 1 at the Springfield Oaks Activities Center in Davistown. Both sessions run from 7:30 p.m. until 10 p.m. Fee for each is \$2.

Sponsored by the Oakland County Cultural Council and Oakland County Parks and Recreation Commission, the workshops are designed to appeal to historical societies, individuals contemplating home restorations, and town and city planners.

The first workshop, "Restoring an 1833 House: Adapted to Today's Style," will be presented by Mr. and Mrs. Charles V. Hagler. The second, "The Revitalization of Main Street," features a lecture and slide presentation by Stuart D. Rodgers.

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Ross to speak on state outlook

State Sen. Doug Ross, D-Oak Park, will discuss "Michigan Economic Outlook in the 1980s and 1990s and Resulting Employment Opportunities," on Wednesday, Oct. 27 at the Orchard Ridge Campus of Oakland Community College.

The program will begin at 7 p.m. in the new Fine Arts Auditorium. The public is invited to the free lecture. A question-and-answer session will follow the lecture.

OU lab wins grant for glaucoma study

The Institute of Biological Sciences at Oakland University has won a National Eye Institute grant to enlarge laboratory facilities for glaucoma research and for shared electron microscopy and tissue culture analysis.

OU is one of only five institutions nationwide to share in \$2 million. OU received \$254,250, and the university provides an additional 25 percent in matching funds.

The funds will be used to construct a 1,800-square-foot laboratory which will house a glaucoma research center,

shared facilities for electron microscopy, a tissue culture laboratory and a biochemical and instrumentation lab.

These facilities will be used exclusively for eye research.

Institute director Venkat N. Reddy said the OU construction award was made on the basis of scientific merit of the overall eye research program at the institution after being reviewed by the Vision Research Program Committee of the NEI and the National Advisory Eye Council.

B'ham woman joins EMEAC

Bonnie Anderson of Birmingham has joined the staff of the East Michigan Environmental Action Council as executive director and consultant.

The 20-member EMEAC board chose Anderson from more than 50 candidates. She replaces John Schaefer.

Anderson holds a master's degree from the University of Michigan in natural resources and a master's of social

work in community organizing. A California native, she received a bachelor's degree from the University of Pacific's School of Education at Stockton.

She first became interested in environmental issues when she began to play the dulcimer and reflected on the lyrics of the songs she played, which often dealt with Appalachian coal miners and their environment.



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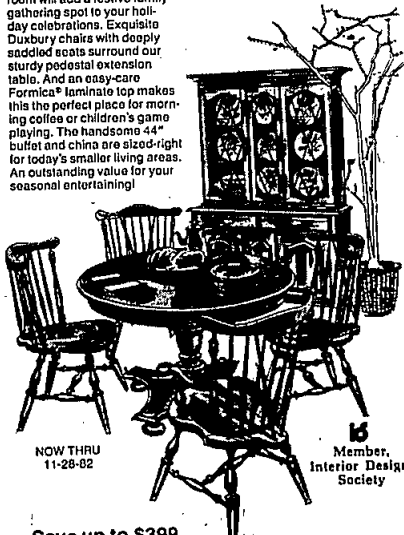
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