

Staff and program reductions in recent years have affected the district's classrooms, libraries, lunchrooms and playgrounds.

But a project, using community volunteers, may help plug some of the gaps created in these areas.

"We are enthusiastic about this program," said Trustee Patricia Jackman. Jackman and four other district representatives attended a three-day conference on volunteerism Oct. 30 through Nov. 2. "The schools are the most significant common bond that the people in our community have," she added.

In December 1981, the state Board of Education conducted a survey that revealed 76 percent of the residents polled thought schools should use volunteers. Further, one of every three respondents said he would like to be a school volunteer.

The workshop, attended by five people from the district, was held at Michigan State University and paid for by the state Department of Education. Only 10 school districts were invited to participate in the workshop. In addition to Jackman, others from Walled Lake were Director of Research Sami Alam, Principal Janet Garbison, kindergarten teacher Geraldine Ma-

kowski and community member Sharon Woodworth.

"WE CERTAINLY are not without volunteers in our community," Gabrison said. "We do use volunteers, but not on a comprehensive, coordinated basis."

Volunteers already are involved in both the elementary and secondary programs, Woodworth said. In elementary buildings, volunteers are used in the office, in classrooms, as reading tutors, for story hour and in preschool programs.

Volunteers are working in one high school library.

## community calendar

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● **HOLIDAY FAIR**  
Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 10-11: Holiday Fair, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday in Waldorf Kinder House, 25205 Code Road, north of 10 Mile, west of Lahser in Southfield. No admission charge.

● **JOURNEY TO BETHLEHEM**  
Saturday, Dec. 10: "A Journey to Bethlehem," tours of scenes and tableaux of the Holy Journey begin every 20 minutes from 1-4 p.m. in First United Methodist Church of Farmington, 35112 Grand River. No charge. Refreshments following each tour are complimentary.

● **WINTER CONCERT**  
Sunday, Dec. 11: Farmington Community Band's Winter Concert begins at 1:30 p.m. in Westminster Presbyterian Church, 17587 Hubbell. Tickets available at the door.

● **CHRISTMAS WALK**  
Sunday, Dec. 11: Christmas Walk through

seven area homes decorated by members of Hill and Dale Garden Club from 1-4 p.m. in conjunction with boutique of hand crafted items in Farmington Community Center. Advance tickets for donation of \$7 includes a map, through Mrs. Phillip Swan, 555-7240. Tickets can also be purchased in the center on the day of the walk only.

● **CHAMBER MUSIC**  
Sunday, Dec. 11: Novi Chamber Music Society recital begins at 2 p.m. in Falls United Presbyterian Church, 44400 10 Mile, Novi. Admission is \$5, or \$2 for students at the door. Music of Mozart and Dvorak will be performed. Recital is followed by a reception for the artists.

● **HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE**  
Sunday through Tuesday, Dec. 11-13: Holiday Boutique of handmade needlework and crafts by the Felician Sisters of Madonna College from noon to 3:30 p.m. Sunday and from noon to 7 p.m. Monday and Tuesday in the home economic rooms of the college on I-96 and Levan Road, Livonia.

● **MADONNA CHORALE**  
Sunday, Dec. 11: Madonna College Choral in concert at 7 p.m. in Pellican Motherhouse Chapel, 26800 Schoolcraft, west of Levan Road in Livonia. Admission is \$2, or \$1 for students at the door.

● **THE MESSIAH**  
Sunday, Dec. 11: Handel's "The Messiah" performed by the 90-voice Christian Community Chorus at 4 p.m. Our Lady of Sorrows Church, 23815 Power Road. Free will offering will be taken.

● **MUSICAL TREE TRIMMING**  
Sunday, Dec. 11: "A Musical Tree Trimming," Mercy High School chorus in concert with a Dickens setting at 3 p.m. in the school, corner of 11 Mile and Middlebelt Road features harpist Christa Griz. Tickets are \$2 at the door. Audience is invited to reception following the concert.

● **CHRISTMAS CONCERT**  
Sunday, Dec. 11: Christmas Concert by the Chancel Choir and Children's Choir of Holy Covenant Church, at 5 p.m. in the church, 14 Mile and Drake Road. No charge.

## obituaries

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Survivors include his wife, Betty; son, Robert; daughter, Sue Schob; one brother, William; five grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Services were Nov. 28 at the McCabe Funeral Home, Farmington Hills, with the Rev. Kenneth Davis officiating. Cremation was in Evergreen Cemetery, Detroit.

### LORRAINE D. BEACHER

Mrs. Beacher, 71, of Detroit died Nov. 25 in Redford Community Hospital.

She was a homemaker. Survivors include her husband, Charles; sons, Charles and John; two grandchildren. Services were Nov. 29 at the Heenev-Sundquist Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. T. Richard Marcia of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church of Farmington officiating. Burial was in Glen Eden Cemetery, Livonia.

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