

Collens awarded rank of Eagle



Eagle Scout Jason Collens is flanked by Rabbi Harold Loss on his left and Michigan Sen. Jack Faxon, D-Farmington Hills, at the Court of Honor ceremonies.

Jason Collens, the 14-year-old son of Dorothy and Arnie Collens, earned his Eagle Rank award after only three years of scouting. The ninth grader at North Farmington High School is a member of Troop 241, which meets in Green Elementary School in West Bloomfield.

Collens was given the award in ceremonies that took place in Farmington Hills Branch Library, significant to him because his service project concerned books. From a solicitation for used books that ultimately numbered 1,500, a total of 500 of those books are now in the branch library's permanent collection. Some of those books were sent to hospitals and some were donated to Farmington Branch American Association of University Women to be sold in its annual used book sale this fall.

Collens served as senior patrol leader for his troop at the age of 13. While accumulating merit badges he

said his favorites were those earned for canoeing, pioneering, citizenship, camping and bugling. He is a brotherhood member of the Order of the Arrow and received his Ner Tamid, a religious award, at his Bar Mitzvah.

Collens received the Presidential Academic Fitness Award while he attended Warner Middle School, where he played first chair trumpet. He continues to maintain a high academic status while playing trumpet in the first chair for North Farmington High. He has received a letter as a member of the marching band.

He is in training now for the track team and will represent North Farmington as a member of its Future Problem Solvers team.

He has attended Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp and takes pride in his voluntary participation at Temple Israel's Hebrew Honors program.



Looser-McCloskey

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Looser of Farmington Hills announce the engagement of their daughter Brenda to Brian McCloskey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles McCloskey of Central Lake, Mich.

The bride-to-be is employed with Arthur Anderson and Company. Her fiancé is employed with Deloitte, Haskins and Sellers.

A June wedding is planned.

1890s parties planned

An 1890s Party, a 90-minute children's program of games, activities, snacks and party favors typical of the period, will be given on Saturdays in Henry Ford Estate-Fair Lane, on the campus of University of Michigan-Dearborn.

The party, suitable for children ages 4-9, includes such activities as pin the tail on the donkey, bean bag toss, going to Jerusalem, croquet, circle games, shadow pictures, blind man's bluff and grab bag. Party favors may include bunny blow outs, wooden top, pocket telegraph and marbles.

Activities take place at Ford's miniature farmhouse at 10 a.m. to noon, 2 and 4 p.m. on Feb. 21, March 14 and April 11.

Group reservations are required, and the activity is open only to groups of 5-10 children. The cost is \$5 per child, with a \$10 per group deposit required. Old fashioned party invitations are available, for 10 cents each, at the reception desk when making reservations.

Henry Ford's farmhouse, situated across Fair Lane drive from the 55-room Estate, was built by the auto pioneer for the 1924 Michigan State Fair. In 1982, it was moved back to the site from Greenfield Village.

University of Michigan-Dearborn is located on Evergreen Road, across from the Fairlane Town Center, in Dearborn. Further information is available by calling the estate at 593-5590.

Spengler-Tenpas

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Spengler of Farmington Hills announce the engagement of their daughter, Peggy Lynn, to Ronald Jay Tenpas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Tenpas of Erie, Pa.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Michigan State University and teaches French in Our Lady of Mercy High School. Her fiancé is a graduate of Michigan State University and is a Rhodes Scholar, now studying in Oxford University, England.

A December wedding is planning in Antioch Lutheran Church.



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Since excess tearing may be a symptom of a dry eye, an eye examination and diagnosis by an ophthalmologist is necessary. I usually measure the quantity of tear flow in the office by measuring the length of a small piece of Litmus paper that becomes moist with tears in a five minute period.

The treatment is replacement with artificial tears. Artificial tears in the form of a drop may have to be used as often as every hour in order to keep the eye moist, but usually four times a day is adequate. Be careful not to overheat your home to produce a dry environment, and beware of hair-dryers, windy days, or anything that adds dryness to the air.

Most patients respond to the artificial tear drops, but some may require implants of solid medication in the lower lid. In severe cases, the tear duct outside the tears out of the eye may have to be closed to conserve the tears you do have. Vitamin A ointment is a promising adjunct to treatment and may also be used at night. Since extreme dryness of the eye can produce serious permanent eye damage, it is imperative that you have an annual eye examination to determine the quality and quantity of your tears. As I have said many times before, an eye examination is healthy for many reasons other than to change your glasses.

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