

Bank distributes anti-drug posters

In an effort to expand drug abuse education in Michigan, Farmington Hills-based Michigan National Bank is providing complimentary sets of Reader's Digest Drug-Free America posters to 275 high schools throughout the state.

The posters, produced by Reader's Digest in conjunction with The Media Advertising Partnership, depict a series of anti-drug abuse messages aimed at students and their parents.

Michigan National worked with Michigan Communities in Action for Drug-Free Youth (MCADY) to distribute the posters. Founded in 1984 as a non-profit organization, MCADY has evolved from a few concerned parents into a state-wide and nationally affiliated network of parents' groups.

Each poster is accompanied by a graphic illustration that further reinforces the poster's message, e.g., "Before You Do Crack, Do This" (illustration of an organ-donor authorization card).

"This years, 15,000 cocaine users are in for a real rush" (illustration of an ambulance).

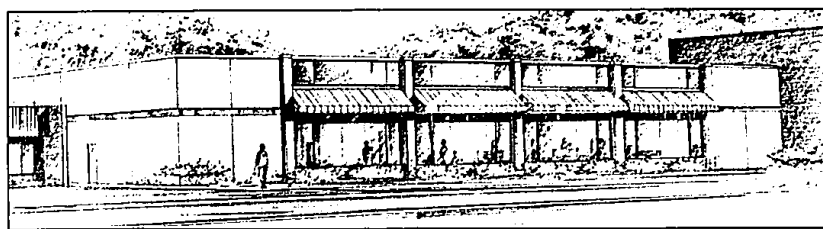
"Michigan National is committed to fighting the drug abuse epidemic that has invaded the fabric of our society," says Robert J. Mylod, chairman and chief executive officer of Michigan National Corp. "It is our youth, our most valuable resource as a nation, who are most vulnerable to the mind-and-body-destroying effects of substance abuse. We hope that the messages on these posters

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will prevent the proliferation of drug and alcohol use among Michigan's young people," he continued.

Michigan National Corp. is a Midwest regional bank holding company. Its principal subsidiary, Michigan National Bank, has approximately 200 branches throughout the state and operates Michigan's largest automatic teller machine network. The corporation's core businesses include commercial banking, investment banking, mortgage banking and consumer financial services. Independence One Mortgage Corp., its mortgage subsidiary, originates residential mortgage loans through 21 offices in 11 states. Corporate headquarters are in Farmington Hills.



From old to new

Driving east from downtown Farmington on Grand River, one may not recognize the former Farmington Lanes bowling alley, being renovated into new retail space expected to be completed by the end of November. Above is an artist's rendering of the renovation. The renovation will offer 11,800 square feet of retail space for one or two businesses, according to owner

Chuck Spriggs, who also owns the nearby Benchmark. "For the past five years or so, the shape and look of Farmington has improved dramatically," he said. No leases have been signed, although Spriggs said he is getting inquiries. The building is on the south side of Grand River near Brookdale.

Hotel proceeds are given to St. Jude's

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis received all proceeds from the Las Vegas Night at the Clarion Hotel grand opening in Farmington Hills Oct. 21.

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show, the wizardry of a magician and the chords of a live musical group. Chef David Fry prepared seafood, pastries and other treats.

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