

Friends of the library offer special programs

THE FARMINGTON Friends of the Library will sponsor \$4,800 in special programs during 1990-91.

In time for the holiday season, the Friends will host the Mask Puppet Theatre with an ecology fable for children at 7 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday, Dec. 18-19, at the Farmington Hills Library branch, 32737 W. 12 Mile.

Friends president Roz Greenberg describes the group "as a non-profit charitable organization whose sole purpose is to encourage interest in and use of the Farmington Community Library."

Other special programs will be the Valentine Family Storyhour, Madame Cadillac Dance Theatre and award-winning young adult author Caroline Cooney. She will visit the schools with Farmington librarians and speak to youths participating in the Battle of the Books.

"Smile and Say Read," is a Friends photography contest to focus on 1991 as the "Year of the Lifetime Reader," as proclaimed by the U.S. Congress.

Both youth and adult amateur photographers may enter color or black-and-white photographs that capture the pleasures of lifelong reading. Entry forms are available at both library branches.

PHOTOS MUST be submitted by Jan. 10 at the Hills branch. Prizes will be awarded Jan. 21 by judges: local photographer Jancug Clark, Focal Point Studio owner Jerry Jakacki and Observer-Eccentric graphics editor Randy Borst.

The Friends recently bought 26 videocassette titles for the Children's Department at each branch. Each video was selected as part of the American Library Association Carnegie "Quality Video for Youth" grant. The Friends contribution of \$2,000 met a \$3,000 matching gift from the Carnegie Foundation.

The Farmington-area business community also will benefit from a Friends gift of the Predictors F&S Index on compact disc in the Hills branch business collection.

The index includes records from more than 1,000 trade and business journals, newspapers and government publications. Each record contains an abstract, locating articles on a wide range of topics: market size and share, new products, industry trends and forecasts, mergers and acquisitions, government policies and regulations and economic climate, for example.

THE BUSINESS index and equipment represents a \$5,000 commitment from the Friends for reference tool, not affordable in the general library budget.

Friends feature library activities in their regular newsletter. Any resident may be placed on the Friends mailing list for the Info Exchange newsletter or the library program booklet. To receive these publications, call Norma Morman at the Hills branch, 553-0500.

"The Farmington Community Library is fortunate to have such an active, vital Friends group," library director Beverly Papal said.

The Friends membership includes more than 700 individuals and families and more than 30 corporate members.

Looking to the future, the Friends are already planning for their annual May Gala for membership and a July float for the Founders Festival.



SHARON LEWIS/staff photographer

Friends of the Library president Roz Greenberg (right) presents longtime Friend of the Library and state Rep. Jan Dolan, R-Farmington Hills, with one of the first "Cooking by the Books: Favorite Recipes by Favorite

Authors' cookbooks. To accompany her new cookbook, Dolan also received a new apron with the inscription, "A Woman's Place is in the House — and Senate."

Friends selling cookbook with authors' recipes

ERNIE HARWELL, Erma Bombeck, Barry Goldwater, Mario Cuomo, Dr. Ruth Westheimer, Jacques Cousteau and Willard Scott all have something in common.

They are authors. And each has contributed a favorite recipe to a new cookbook "Cooking by the Book: Favorite Recipes by Favorite Authors."

The Farmington Friends of the Library will sell copies of the cookbook for \$7.95 each as a fundraiser for its special projects in the two-branch library system.

Compiled by the Monroe County Library System, the soft-cover cookbook features 75 authors — some who write for a living, other celebrities and public figures who write as an avocation — with photographs, lists of their books and recipes.

Exercise king Richard

Simmons offers "California

Baked Broccoli," former

First Lady Betty

Ford shares "Blueberry

Bread," and Dr. Joyce

Brothers offers her recipe

for good old-fashioned

meatloaf.

EACH AUTHOR or

celebrity in the cookbook

was selected not necessarily

for their culinary expertise

but because of their popularity

with the reading public, according

to the cookbook's introduction.

"These are not kitchen-tested recipes, so if your favorite author forgot about that pinch of paprika, it was unintentional; and if the soufflé is flat, forgive the amateur. After all, these are not noted chefs, they are noted authors," the introduction says.

The cookbook also offers entertaining reading from a host of authors — many now long gone — who offer their thoughts on food and its undying importance in life.

How about Mark Twain's thoughts: "Cauliflower is nothing but cabbage with a college education."

Copies of the cookbook are available at the downtown branch, 23550 Liberty and the Farmington Hills branch, 32737 W. 12 Mile.

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police/fire calls

Listed below are some of the Farmington area police incidents, fire calls and court cases reported during the past week:

● DRUG CHARGES

A 24-year-old Florida man was arrested in Farmington Dec. 6 and charged with possession with intent to deliver a controlled substance, forgery of a license plate, and driving with his license suspended, after a Farmington police officer became suspicious of his car's license tag.

According to Commander Chuck Lee, police seized 295 grams of marijuana — a little more than half a pound — a scale, a pager and confiscated the man's 1989 Ford Thunderbird. The marijuana was divided into several bags. The man was stopped by Officer Chris Guinan at 1:30 a.m.; his license tag was found to be expired and had been altered.

The drug charge is a felony and carries a maximum four-year prison sentence.

After his arraignment in 47th District Court on Thursday, bond was set at \$10,000 and the man posted 10 percent of it and was released.

A Farmington Hills man who was a passenger in the car was not charged.

● STORE FIRE

Thanks to a sprinkler system, damage from a fire at 6:15 p.m. Dec. 6 was confined to the contents of a stock room at the Let's Entertain store in Hunter's Square mall on Orchard Lake Road, south of 14 Mile.

"If that fire had not been confined, it could have been significant with damage to the complex and to life," Farmington Hills fire Inspector Al Ellis said. "The fire was minimized because of the activated sprinklers."

The fire, which caused an estimated \$10,000 damage to the contents, started by what fire officials believe was "discarded smoking materials" in a garbage container in the rear stock room.

"It (the fire) ignited some stock in the back room," Ellis said.

The store was open at the time of the fire but no one was injured.

● HOUSE FIRE

The owner of a house on Springland was treated for smoke inhalation after his den caught fire at 5:24 a.m. Dec. 7, according to a Farmington Hills fire report.

"We have an idea it might have been caused by a space heater. But we're still looking into it," fire Inspector Al Ellis said. "It was not a raging fire. There were some flames

Hills woman, 41, suffers injuries in 2-car crash

By James Radebaugh
staff writer

A 41-year-old Farmington Hills woman was critically injured Thursday when the car in which she was riding was struck broadside in the intersection of Maple and Middlebelt.

A second car traveling north on Middlebelt ran a red light about 10:30 p.m. and struck the first car in the passenger side door, police said.

"I saw the car, and all of the impact was on that door," said Sgt. Michael Madigan of the West Bloomfield police. "We originally thought it was going to be fatal, but apparently they were able to stabilize her and get her in intensive care."

Linda Clark, the passenger, remained in critical condition Friday at Pontiac General Hospital, where she was treated by West Bloomfield paramedics.

and heat in the room when we arrived."

The fire caused an estimated \$10,000 damage to the room's contents.

● MARIJUANA ARRESTS

Three men, two from Royal Oak, one from Southfield, were charged with possession of marijuana Dec. 4 after police saw them light a pipe and pass it among themselves while sitting in their car, according to a Farmington Hills police report.

If convicted on use and possession of marijuana, a city ordinance misdemeanor, they face a maximum 90 days in jail and \$500 fine.

Plainclothes officers saw the men sitting in their car in the parking lot near MC Sporting Goods and Mr. Sports One of a Kind bar on the east side of Orchard Lake Road, south of 14 Mile. They noticed the men light something and pass it around. And then they saw the pipe being lit and also passed around.

When a police officer identified himself to the men, one of the passengers dropped the pipe to the floor. Police noticed a strong odor of marijuana in the car.

STEVEN SHAFER, 27, also of Farmington Hills and the driver of the car (Clark was riding in), was treated for minor injuries at Pontiac General and released.

West Bloomfield resident Susanne Britton, the driver of the car that struck Shaffer's car, was treated for minor injuries at Henry Ford Hospital and released. A 21-year-old passenger in Britton's car was not injured.

There was no evidence that either driver was speeding, but both cars spun around, leaving the intersection strewn with broken glass, Madigan said. The intersection was closed for about two hours.

No charges have been filed pending completion of an investigation, but Madigan ruled out alcohol as a factor.

West Bloomfield firefighter Troy McCormick praised paramedics, who began transporting Clark to the hospital seven minutes after they arrived on the scene.

Police also found a Baggie of marijuana on the center console of the car, as well as inside the console and in a gym bag. Rolling papers were found in the glove compartment, according to police.

● PARAPHERNALIA CHARGE

A 36-year-old Detroit woman was charged with possession of narcotic paraphernalia during a traffic stop for an expired license. Police saw a glass crack pipe and cotton swabs in her purse.

The woman told police the pipe and swabs were in the car, which was not hers, and she placed the items in her purse when she saw police were going to stop her, according to the police report.

If convicted on possession of drug paraphernalia, a city ordinance misdemeanor, the woman faces a maximum 90 days in jail and \$500 fine.

● THEFTS REPORTED

An amplifier, stereo speaker and cassette valued at \$1,000 were reported stolen from a car parked on Penrose, Dec. 4.

A portable computer valued at \$6,000 was reported stolen from ITT, 32605 12 Mile, Dec. 3-4.

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