

New Classes Set For Girls

Tennis, tumbling, modern dance and modeling classes will be offered junior high girls by the Oakland YWCA, 839 Crooks, Clawson, beginning the week of April 19.

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Consumer Topic Of Livonia Study

Michigan State University extension study groups from Wayne and Oakland Counties will hold their "Bi-County Special" at Roma Hall, 2777 Schoolcraft, Livonia, April 21, from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The theme will be a consumer awareness program called "Homemakers' Hotlines."

The speakers will be Albert Isaacs from the attorney general's office; Lane Breidenstein of the Better Business Bureau; Esther K. Shapiro, Consumer Alliance; and James Boyd representing the Michigan Consumer Council.

There will be a question and answer period.

Following the luncheon, a fashion show will be presented by Streich and Sew of Pontiac.

The meeting is open to the public. Deadline for reservations is April 15. Tickets may be obtained from Mrs. Janice A. Kukar, Cooperative Extension Service, 1025 N. Telegraph, Pontiac, 48063.

Cheer Leaders To Have Clinic Aug. 9 To 13

A baton twirling and cheer leading clinic will be held on the campus of Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti, Aug. 9 to 13. This will be the fourth year for the clinic.

Those wishing to attend should write All State Baton Twirling and Cheerleading Clinics, PO Box 45, Prospect Heights, Ill., 60070.

The clinic is conducted by

Mary Evelyn Thurman, who is on the physical education teaching staff at Northeast Missouri College. She and her staff hold similar clinics in campuses in 13 different states during the summer.

There will also be a clinic, the 32nd annual, at Alma College, Alma, July 25 through July 30.

A variety of classes will be

Northwest YW To Teach Golf

If you would like to take golf lessons this spring, now is the time to register.

The Northwest YWCA, 25940 Grand River, is taking registrations for group lessons which will begin the first week in May and run for five weeks.

Paul Thomas, PGA instructor, will hold daytime and evening classes for men and women at the Redford Golf course, 18001 Berg. Beginning and refresher courses will be given.

For schedules, call the YWCA.



By MARGARET MILLER

After many years in special education, Mrs. Maxine Freeborn hardly ever uses the term "retarded" when she's talking about a child.

"It's a matter of finding out how that particular child learns," she says. "You have to learn how to overcome the learning disability he may have."

"And when I talk to the parents of a slow-learning child so that they can help him, too, I always point out that everyone has some areas in which he can't keep up."

"I'm pretty retarded myself when it comes to art."

Women on the Go

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port," she recalled. "There was every nationality represented, and I learned a great deal from the children in that school."

It was in the Romulus school that Mrs. Freeborn also developed an abiding interest in 4-H work.

AFTER COMPLETING college, she served 12½ years in the Brainard school in Dearborn, as classroom teacher, teaching principal and principal.

Her work with 4-H there brought her an award from the Michigan State Extension for her efforts to bring volunteers into the program.



MAXINE FREEBORN

visiting of friends they haven't seen in recent years.

Mrs. Freeborn is a charter member of the Kappa chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma, education honorary society. Looking forward to retirement, she and her husband, Theodore, hope to do some

to a fifth grade level by sixth grade."

Mrs. Freeborn was asked to become a visiting teacher for the Wayne County office, again working with students in trouble and trying to spot their problem.

"There too I enjoyed working with a variety of parents," she recalls, "and for the first time I worked with agencies such as welfare and children's aid."

Marriage and the birth of a son, Alan, then took her out of the teaching field for seven years, and she went to Wayne State University to get bachelor and master's degrees in special education.

When she returned to the classroom, it was to the Mason School in South Redford as substitute teacher of a fifth and sixth grade class.

"Within two weeks I was asked to stay full time," she remembers, "and at the end of my second year I was asked to move into the new special education program."

"A challenging job" is how she describes the work now, looking back after 18 years.

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