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### IN BRIEF

#### Help the needy

**F**armington Area Community Women will sponsor for the second year in a row Baskets for Needy Children in the Farmington area.

Last year the women's club received 80 names for the baskets. This year, club women say, the number has grown to 200 because of the bad economy. Connie Jermov, Michele Paul and Nancy Willard have organized this year's project.

Anyone interested in purchasing a basket should pick up a child's nametag at the following locations: Farmington Community Library, both branches; First United Methodist Church on Grand River; Metro Bank branches in downtown Farmington, Haledel and Grand River, and Farmington Road and 12 Mile; and First Federal in downtown Farmington.

Participants should return the baskets with the nametag attached to the locations where they received the nametag by Wednesday, April 8.

Information on the club and its activities may be obtained by calling Michele Paul at 477-5893.

#### He's head of board

**G**ary Granader, a Farmington Hills resident who owns several McDonald's restaurant franchises in the Downriver area, was elected president of the Ronald McDonald House board of directors. His term is for two years.

The mission of the Ronald McDonald House of Detroit is to provide a "home away from home" and support services to families of children hospitalized at Children's Hospital of Michigan in Detroit.

Located on the grounds of the hospital, the 20-bedroom facility has provided lodging to more than 10,000 families since its doors first opened in 1979. More than 75 percent of the funding for the house is received through contributions from the community.

#### He chairs department

**D**r. Eduardo Phillips of Farmington Hills has been named chairman of the department of surgery at Sinai Hospital in northwest Detroit. It was announced by Phillip Schaengold, president and CEO of the hospital.

Phillips, who has served as acting chairman since November 1991, joined the hospital in 1969 as a surgery resident. He has been chief of surgical endoscopy at Sinai since 1984. From 1974-76 he served as Sinai's coordinator of surgical education.

Phillips received his medical degree from the School of Medicine, National University in Mexico City in 1967. Before joining Sinai, he completed an internship and residency in surgery at the Hospital Frances, Mexico City.

## Teamwork binds award-winning yearbook

By Casey Hana  
staff writer

Being part of an award-winning student yearbook team is encouraging some Mercy High School students to consider journalism as a career.

But most of the current yearbook editors say the effort has simply sparked great teamwork and solid friendships.

"You learn how to work together," said Rebecca Burnett, the yearbook's organizational editor. "We didn't know each other before. Now, we work together as a team."

"We spend more time together than sports teams," added photography editor Beth Morelli. "We're like one big family."

The yearbook staff at the private, all-girls Farmington Hills high school recently captured top state, regional and national honors for their yearbook, entitled "Lore."

Honors include the Spartan Award from the Michigan Interscholastic Press Association, the Buckeye Award from the Great Lakes IFA, the All-American Award from the National Scholastic Press Association and the Medalist ranking from the Columbia Scholastic Press Association from Columbia University.

SPORTS EDITOR Carrie Quint said she believed the awards brought the yearbook more credibility. "I think we gained a new respect in the school," she said.

Although she realized her students were good, the top honors surprised teacher and yearbook advisor for the past four years, Kathleen Sill. "I was flabbergasted when we came out on top," she said.

The Columbia University award also earned Sill an invitation to speak at a yearbook conference there this month—something she shared by asking her nine yearbook editors along for the experience.

In addition to Morelli, Burnett and Quint, editor-in-chief Cara McDonagh, assistant editors Colleen Kelley and Abbey Ryder, academic editor Kristyn Schulkins, people editor Heather Noll and student life editor Lisa Domol all went along for the ride.

Domol said the conference showed the students a lot of "trendy stuff" and



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Mercy High School seniors (from left) Heather Noll, Kristyn Schulkins and Beth Morelli look over the winning 1991 school yearbook, the Lore, with other editors.

brought them up to date on current graphics and other yearbook techniques. "We came back with a lot of good ideas," she said.

All of the awards were given for the school's 1991-92 yearbook, which used the theme "Just for the Fun of It." The current editors were staffers for that book, and believe their 1992 book "Changing the Pace" which comes out in May will be another winner in next year's competitions.

STUDENTS BEGIN the yearbook program at Mercy as sophomores by enrolling in a yearbook theory class. As juniors, they can be staff members and as seniors

they can become editors. To put out a good yearbook, they say, it takes many hours, patience and "total devotion."

"We've stayed after school until 11 or 12 at night," Quint added.

The Lore, a word which Webster defines as "knowledge" or "learning of an especially traditional nature," boasts many of the traditional sections of a high school yearbook, but it also has a "mini-mag" insert which staffers say helps give graduates a sense of history not only about their school, but of the world around them as well.

The students were pleasantly surprised

at how well their school book looked at the New York conference.

"I wasn't sure what to expect from the other books," said Schulkins. "We're right up there with the other ones."

She said Mercy is different than many high schools, in that they offer a yearbook class. Some other schools have yearbook as an extracurricular program. "They just didn't seem as much of a team," she added.

Mercy Juniors have recently selected their editorial staff for next year's Lore, and will already begin planning a theme this spring. Students say yearbook these days is a year round project.

## Kamienecki is appointed staff president

Dr. Ruth R. Kamienecki has been selected as president of Boisford General Hospital's professional staff. She is the first female physician to hold this position at the hospital.

As president, Kamienecki will act as a liaison between staff and administration. She will also represent professional staff members at various ceremonial events.

Kamienecki is a graduate of Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine. She interned at Boisford General Hospital and became chief intern before entering into private practice in 1986.

She has been affiliated with Boisford since that time.

Kamienecki holds two teaching appointments through the Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine. She is an assistant clinical professor in the department of family practice and a trainer for the Preceptor-Junior Partnership Program.

In addition, Kamienecki serves as a delegate for the Oakland County Osteopathic Association. She is a member of the American Osteopathic Association, the Michigan Association of Osteopathic Physicians

and Surgeons and the American College of General Practitioners and Osteopathic Medicine Surgery.

Kamienecki recently opened her own family practice office on 23995 Novi Road in Novi, where she sees patients of all ages. She resides with her family in Northville.

Boisford General Hospital is a 335-bed osteopathic teaching hospital serving Farmington Hills and surrounding communities. The hospital is affiliated with Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine.



Dr. Ruth Kamienecki

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